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SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION,

HELD WITH THE
CENTRAL CHURCH OF NORWICH,

October 16th and 17th, 1894.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
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Next Annual Meeting with First Church, Bridgeport,

October 15th and 16th, 1895.

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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE BAPTIST
CHURCHES IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND VICINITY—PASSED
MAY, 1824.

Resolved by this Assembly:—That Asa Wilcox, Jonathan Goodwin, Augustus Bolles, Joseph B. Gilbert, Robert Francis, Elisha Cushman, Roswell Burrows, Oliver Wilson, John Turney, Jeremiah Brown, Claudius L. Collins, Rufus Babcock, Wm. H. Manning, and Wm. Quiner, and their associates, be, and they are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the *General Convention of the Baptist Churches in the State of Connecticut and Vicinity*, and by that name they and their successors shall and may have perpetual succession; shall be capable of suing and being sued, plead and being impleaded, in all suits of what nature soever, may have a common seal, and the same alter or change at pleasure; and may also have, purchase, receive, hold, and convey away estate, real, personal, or mixed, the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars. *Provided* that said income, whatever may be the amount thereof, be annually expended and appropriated to the purposes designated in said petition.

Said Convention may from time to time, elect a president and such other officers and agents as they may find necessary or convenient; may make by-laws respecting the number, qualifications and duties of their officers and members, prescribe the mode of election, and admission of members, the time, place and manner of holding their meetings; the number necessary to form a quorum, and all other by-laws and regulations the said convention may deem necessary for the government and due regulation of its concerns, to promote and secure the essential objects of said Convention as expressed in their constitution, not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States.

The first meeting of said Convention shall be holden at the Baptist Meeting House in the city of Middletown, in the county of Middlesex, on the second Wednesday of June, A. D. 1824, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

This act of incorporation, or any part thereof, may be altered, amended, or repealed, at the pleasure of the General Assembly.

RESOLVE IN ALTERATION, PASSED MAY, 1829.

Resolved by this Assembly:—That said corporation be hereafter called and known by the name of "*The Connecticut Baptist Convention.*"

CONSTITUTION OF CONVENTION.

ARTICLE I. The name of this body shall be THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Convention shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel, and the organization and maintenance of Baptist Churches and Sunday-schools in the State of Connecticut.

ARTICLE III. This Convention shall consist of delegates from the Baptist churches in Connecticut, of the same faith and order as the present associated Baptist Churches. Each of such churches as shall have contributed to the funds of the Convention during the year last preceding the annual meeting, may be represented by its pastor and one delegate for every one hundred and fraction of one hundred resident members; provided that no church shall be entitled to more than five delegates besides its pastor. Every church having one or more schools connected therewith may elect and send an additional delegate to represent each such school.

ARTICLE IV. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor; all of whom shall be elected annually by ballot, and whose duties shall be specified in by-laws adopted by the Convention.

ARTICLE V. There shall be a Board of Trustees, not exceeding thirty-three (33) in number, one-third of whom, after the first election, shall be chosen annually by ballot. At the first election they shall be chosen in classes of one, two, and three years. At least one-third of the trustees shall be laymen. The Trustees, together with the officers of the Convention, shall constitute a Board of Management, in which shall be vested all the privileges and authority of the Convention when the Convention is not in session. The duties of the Board of Trustees shall be specified in by-laws adopted by the Convention.

ARTICLE VI. The Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of all the delegates present at any annual meeting, after one year's previous notice.

BY LAWS FOR GOVERNMENT OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

1. The Convention shall meet on Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in October, at 10 o'clock A. M., and the morning shall be devoted to the transaction of business in the following order:

1. Calling to order.
2. Reading of the Scriptures and Prayer.
3. Address of the President.
4. Calling Roll of Delegates.
5. Report of Trustees.
6. Report of Treasurer.
7. Election of Officers.

Tuesday afternoon and evening shall be devoted to the mission work of the Convention. Reports shall be heard from the Superintendent of Missions, from the Committee on the State of the Churches, and from the Committee on Sunday-schools, together with addresses upon these interests. The annual sermon, if any be provided, shall be preached at such hour as Committee of Arrangements shall decide. Wednesday morning the Connecticut Baptist Education Society will hold its annual session. Wednesday afternoon shall be devoted to reports of committees and to miscellaneous business.

2. The President shall appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered. Standing committees shall be appointed as follows: (1) On Arrangements for Next Year. (2) On Sunday Schools. (3) On Obituaries. (4) On New Churches. (5) On Temperance. (6) On State of the Churches. (7) On Home and Foreign Mission Work; and such other committees as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

3. The Committee of Arrangements shall endeavor to provide that the meetings of the Woman's Missionary Societies may not be held during the hours the Convention is in session. The annual reports of their meetings may be read in open meetings of the Convention, and by the vote of the Convention may be spread upon the minutes.

4. No objects other than those provided for by the Constitution shall be presented at the annual meeting, unless by the unanimous consent of the Convention.

5. The proceedings of the Convention shall be regulated by the ordinary rules governing deliberate assemblies.

6. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Convention.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

1. The Board of Trustees shall hold three meetings during the year, one immediately after the session of the Convention, one in the month of April, and one on the day preceding the next meeting of the Convention. Other meetings may be called by the Secretary at the request of the President, or five members of the Board.

2. The President of the Convention shall preside at all meetings of the Board; in his absence the Vice-President shall preside; in the absence of both President and Vice-President the Board shall choose a President *pro tem*. The Secretary shall be *ex-officio* secretary of the Board.

3. At the first meeting of the Board, each year, it shall elect from its members an Executive Committee of fifteen (15), including the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Auditor. It shall also appoint a Finance Committee of three. It may appoint other committees if deemed expedient.

4. At the meeting of the Board, in October, the Board of Trustees shall appoint a Superintendent of missions, who shall have the general oversight of the work of the Convention under the direction of the Board or of its Executive Committee. The salary of the Superintendent shall be fixed by the Board, and his year of service shall be from the time of his appointment till the next subsequent meeting of the convention.

5. The Board may, at any of its regular meetings, appoint such missionary or missionaries, for evangelistic work within the State, and for such terms of service as it may deem expedient.

6. The Board shall have power to provide means for raising funds for the Convention; also to dispose of said funds according to the provisions of the charter and the Constitution.

7. The Board of Trustees, immediately after the adjournment of the Convention, shall, through its Secretary, send to each church and pastor in the State a printed circular, setting forth the number of missionaries appointed by the Convention, the amount of money required to meet the yearly expenditure, together with the approximate amount each church should contribute.

8. All appropriations in aid of churches and for payment of missionaries shall be made by the Board in accordance with the regulations laid down in the by-laws.

9. The Board shall make report of all its transactions to the Convention at its annual meeting.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. The Executive Committee shall meet at least four times during the year, in the months of October, January, April and July, and at any other time at the call of the President and Secretary. They shall consider and report upon all applications for aid. When the Board is not in session its authority shall vest in the Executive Committee, but no contract or agreement made by the Executive Committee shall remain in force beyond the time of the next ensuing meeting of the Board of Trustees unless approved by the Board, except in such cases as have been referred to the Executive Committee for final action.

2. The Executive Committee shall make full report of all its transactions to the next ensuing meeting of the Board of Trustees.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, of the Board of Trustees, and of the Executive Committee.

2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President during his absence.

3. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Convention. He shall be the custodian of the securities of the Convention, and shall keep a

careful record of all permanent, conditional, and special trust funds, with a brief statement of the conditions under which they are held and the particulars concerning their investment. He shall keep each class of funds separate and distinct from every other, and from the several funds of the Convention. He shall prepare a monthly statement of the condition of the treasury and submit the same to the Executive Committee through the Secretary. He shall execute all financial documents, and when necessary, affix thereto the seal of the Convention unless the Board of Trustees shall otherwise specifically direct. He shall make payments out of the treasury only upon the written order of the Secretary. Whenever required by the Executive Committee he shall give bonds to such an amount as they may direct.

4. The Secretary shall keep a faithful record of all the meetings of the Convention, of the Board of Trustees, and of the Executive Committees. He shall furnish for publication in the *Christian Secretary* brief reports of all important transactions in their meetings, as far as the interest of the Convention will admit. The quarterly reports of the churches aided by the Convention, and of the missionaries employed, shall be made to the Board through him, and he shall prepare, for each meeting of the Board and of its Executive Committee, a statement of the business which needs to be brought before it. He shall draw orders on the treasury only as authorized by the Board of Trustees or its Executive Committee.

5. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer and make a report thereof to the Convention once a year, and each quarter if required by the Board.

6. The Finance Committee shall have charge of, and approve by their signature, the investment of all the trust funds of the Convention subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. They may require of the Treasurer, statements of all transactions relating to trust funds, and of current receipts and expenditures whenever they deem it necessary. They may authorize the temporary transfer by the Treasurer of the funds of the Convention from one class to another whenever they may deem it necessary. They may, with the Secretary, direct the payment of amounts, not exceeding fifty dollars, in exigencies that cannot await the action of the Board of Trustees or of its Executive Committee. Under no circumstances shall any of the funds of the Convention be loaned to any officer, legal advisor, or member of the Executive Committee, or to any corporation or business enterprise in which any of them is personally interested.

RULES TO GOVERN APPROPRIATIONS.

1. All churches assisted by the Convention shall make their quarterly reports to the Board through the Secretary. All appropriations

to churches shall be made quarterly, and no application for aid will be considered until the report of the church has been received. Quarterly reports must be sent in during the first weeks in October, January, April and July.

2. Appropriations will be made to churches only when such churches have settled pastors, and when they shall have made, within the year preceding, contributions for at least three objects of benevolence, including the Domestic Mission work of the Connecticut Baptist Convention.

3. No appropriation shall be made to any church, when in the judgment of the Executive Committee the pastor of the church is not considered worthy of such aid. It is therefore recommended that any church without a pastor applying for aid, shall confer with the Superintendent of Missions, or the Executive Committee, before the choice and settlement of a pastor.

4. No appropriation shall be recommended, or be made toward the erection of any house of worship until the approval of the plan by the Executive Committee shall have been secured; and in all cases where such appropriations amount to \$500 or more, the church or society so aided shall execute to the Convention a deed of trust of the property, which shall be held by the Convention until such time as the Board of Trustees shall deem it expedient to reconvey the property.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

The Superintendent of Missions shall have the general oversight and care of the entire work of the Convention under the direction of the Executive Committee. He shall visit the churches aided by the Convention as frequently as may be, consistently with his other duties. He shall investigate any new enterprises that should be brought to the attention of the Board and report the same. He shall, as opportunity may offer, present the claims of the Convention before the churches and receive subscriptions and collections for the Convention. He shall be present at all meetings of the Board, and of the Executive Committee, to counsel and advise in all their actions, but shall have no vote. He shall advise the churches aided by the Convention on all matters in which his advice is asked, but he shall not pledge the Convention to any pecuniary aid except as authorized in each case by the Board of Trustees or by its Executive Committee.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws, except such as refer to the duties of the Treasurer and of the Finance Committee, may be changed or additions made thereto at any meeting of the Board of Trustees by a majority vote.

Such of these By-Laws as refer to the duties of the Treasurer and of the Finance Committee shall be of equal binding force with the provisions of the Constitution, and can be changed only by a two-thirds

vote of all the members present at the annual meeting of the Convention, and after one year's notice.

GENERAL RESOLUTION.

All resolutions, or parts of the same, heretofore adopted by the Convention, Board of Trustees, or Executive Committee, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws are hereby repealed.

CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING.

All churches sending delegates to the Convention are bound by their obligations to God and their brethren, to make annual contribution to its treasury, and none, large or small, ought, in any case, to fail in this important duty. They are requested to be very particular and exact in their appointment of delegates and designation of funds, and see that these funds are placed in the Treasury, and published in the minutes of the Convention.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Quarterly reports of their condition, financial and religious, should be made to the Secretary of the Convention, by the pastors and clerks of all churches aided.

Applications for aid must be made by the formal action of the church seeking it, signed by the clerk or pastor, with a plain statement of their condition and wants, to be submitted to the Board.

Appropriations shall be withheld from churches which neglect to make contributions to the four following objects: State Missions, the Education Society, Foreign Missions, and Home Missions; and the evidence of such contributions shall be the books and reports of the Treasurers.

No moneys ought to be credited to Domestic or State Missions which were not placed in the Treasury of the Convention for that purpose.

☞ All statistics respecting *members* and *finance* ought to be precise and accurate.

LEGACIES.

FORM OF A LEGACY.—I also give and bequeath to THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION *dollars, lands, houses, or other property*, for the purpose of the Convention, as specified in the act of incorporation. And I hereby direct my executor or executors to pay said sum to the Treasurer of said Convention, taking his receipt for it, within *months after my decease*. [If *real estate* is devised, describe the *premises* with exactness—both lots and buildings.]

FOR THE BUILDING FUND.—I give and devise to THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION, *money, lands, houses, bonds—as the case may be—* for the Building Fund, to aid in procuring or paying for suitable Houses of Worship for Mission Churches.

A similar form will answer for THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY. Only be careful to specify the name.

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION.

NORWICH, Conn., Oct. 16, 1894.

The seventy-first Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Baptist Convention was held in the meeting house of the Central Baptist Church, Norwich, on the above date. President Wayland called the Convention to order at 10 A. M.

Pastor N. T. Allen led in prayer.

Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., pastor of the church, welcomed the Convention :

Mr. President, Brethren and Fathers—It becomes my delightful privilege, in behalf of the Baptists of Norwich, to extend to you a most cordial welcome. This is the seventh visit the Convention has paid to this city ; the first was in 1836 ; there was at that time a very warm expression of welcome, and to-day our hearts are as warm and our hands as anxious to press your hands as were theirs. The old building in which our fathers worshiped has gone, and now we welcome you to our new church home. We welcome you to our homes. The Baptists in this State have stood in the front rank in every emergency, always ready to defend the honor of the State or Nation. Here great battles have been fought. Here Isaac Backus was born ; and from this place his mother was taken to the jail at New London because she would worship God according to the dictates of her own conscience. We welcome you to this historic place, where Washington often came and held council of war ; where lie the bones of Uncas. We hope you will find real homes to receive you, and that you will carry pleasant memories away with you of "The Beautiful Rose of New England."

President Wayland, in responding, said :

"Dr. Herr, in behalf of the Convention I beg to thank you for your graceful welcome and kindly words. Let me assure you of our grati-

tude. You cannot be more glad to receive us than we are to be received. And now, members of the Convention, let us address ourselves to the work before us with zeal and industry, and the sincere spirit of consecration to the cause we represent."

The Committee of Arrangements presented, as their report, the printed program, which was followed closely through the session.

The President announced the following Committees to report at this session :

On Nomination of Officers—Pastors W. G. Fennell, C. L. Rhoades, H. M. Thompson, Henry Clarke.

On Enrollment—Pastors J. S. Lyon, Arthur W. Smith, Wm. C. Martin, G. C. Chappell.

On Resolutions—Pastors F. G. McKeever, J. M. Morris, J. C. Breaker, Jabez Marshall, Bro. J. L. Denison.

On Place and Preacher—Pastors I. F. Stidham, G. W. Nicholson, G. F. Genung, L. Smith, R. O. Sherwood.

After singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," Rev. Frank Dixon read the Scriptures, and Rev. E. Dewhurst offered prayer, and Rev. J. B. Lemon of Willimantic preached the annual sermon, taking for his text, Jonah 3 : 2 :

"The Savior said that Jonah was a sign to his generation; Jesus was a sign to his generation; and we, as Christians, are a sign to our generation; it was not the work of Jonah that was a sign, but Jonah himself; and so Jesus was the sign.

"There are three respects in which Jonah is a sign to us. I. He was called of God not because he was a well-known man or from some great city, but an unknown man, from some little place sent to the great city. Here is encouragement for the weak churches; when the Lord wants a man to do a great work he very often calls some unknown man from some small field; as illustrations we might mention Luther, Carey, Judson and Spurgeon.

"He was not only called of God, but was conscious of his call; but he made the mistake of thinking that if he resigned his position as prophet and left the place it would end his responsibility. No man can escape the responsibility if the Lord has given him a message to deliver. God's call was not to preach anything but the divine word.

"II. There were difficulties in his way. It was a hard message that the Lord gave him; it was entirely contrary to his disposition; he did not wish to do this work, and the reason was that he had a wrong kind of theology; he had dwelt so much upon God's love that he had almost forgotten that God is a consuming fire. He wanted to rely upon his own judgment and not heed God's word unless it corresponded with his own reason.

"III. He was a successful preacher. It does not take a perfect man to be a good preacher. Noah did not reach as many as Jonah. God has called many an imperfect man and blessed his labors abundantly; therefore, the fact that we have been imperfect should not keep us from doing good service for God. His success was due largely to his marvelous personal experience. He had been delivered from the wrath of God; why should not others be? This is the more impressive as we think that he did not say anything about repentance; he simply warned them that within forty days the city would be destroyed; but they saw through his manner and tone that there was hope through repentance; he could not have kept it out of sight if he had tried. God was speaking in Jonah's personality. It is not necessary for us to talk a great deal about the love of God if we have experienced it in our hearts. God had more trouble with Jonah than with Nineveh."

After singing "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less," the Board of Trustees presented their report, through the Secretary, Rev. P. S. Evans:

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

Dear and Honored Brethren:—

Your Board has prosecuted their mission, as your representatives in charge of the State Work, to the best of their ability. Death has entered our ranks within the year. Our brother, Mr. A. J. Crofut, who has so long served as your Auditor, died at his home in South Norwalk, on Nov. 25th, 1893. Within three weeks of his death, he had spent the day in the company of Rev. C. L. Rhoades, and the Secretary, serving as a committee to enquire into the Baptist interests at Greenwich. At the meeting of the Executive Committee, held January 8th, the following minute, prepared by Rev. Dr. Phelps, was adopted. We present it that it may appear in the printed record of your transactions.

"It is eminently fitting that a minute be made and entered on our records, of the death of our highly esteemed brother and fellow-

worker, Mr. Andrew J. Crofut. He was present at the Danbury meetings, and was re-elected Auditor, a position to which he was first elected in 1886. He was a leading layman of high standing and usefulness in the church, and a large-hearted and honored citizen in the community where he lived. He was known for many years as an upright and successful manufacturer; while in his home he exemplified every domestic virtue.

"Three times his fellow-townsmen made him their representative in the State Legislature. He was a constituent member of the church he aided in organizing nearly 35 years ago, and was a large contributor to their new house of worship.

"He generously sustained and promoted the best interests of the church with his means, his time and his prayers. He loved the cause of missions, Home and Foreign, and gave liberally to their support. The objects of our State Convention he held dear to his heart, and gave them his cherished sympathy, his wise counsels, and his generous support. We miss his genial presence, and feeling deeply his loss, we tender to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy."

At the semi-annual meeting of the Board, held in Willimantic, Mr. John E. Darrow of New London was chosen for the position of Auditor for the unexpired term, and Rev. A. Wheaton was chosen Trustee in place of W. L. Swan, removed.

THE GENERAL OUTLOOK.

Seldom has there been a year in the history of the Convention when the churches of the State have been so generally supplied with pastors; not a church of any size that has been pastorless. The year has been marked by unusual business depression. Employment, in many places, has been hard to obtain, even by the class of people that form the bulk of the membership of our churches—people who would easily find employment if any did. It has proved, as we hoped and expected, that the year of financial stress has been, as so often in the past, the year of special ingathering. Last year the number of baptisms reported in the State was the largest of any year but one for 17 years, viz.: 900. This year we need four figures to represent the total for the State of 1,318. The largest relative gain is in New London Association, which reports 318. The largest number in any church is in First Waterbury, which reports 82 baptisms. It will be seen that, notwithstanding the hard times, there has been but little decline in the benevolences of the churches. Your Committee on the State of the Churches will make a full report on this matter, and we will not anticipate what they may say. We cannot, however, withhold our

expression of devout gratitude that God has, in very deed, visited His people.

The meetings of the Board and of its Executive Committee have been as follows:

Oct. 18th, 1893, meeting of the full Board at Danbury.

Oct. 30th, 1893, meeting of the full Board, in place of the Executive Committee, at New Haven.

Jan. 8th, 1894, regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee at New Haven.

April 11th, 1894, semi-annual meeting of the Board at Willimantic.

May 2d, 1894, a special meeting of the Executive Committee in New Haven.

July 19th, 1894, regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee in New Haven.

The appropriations made to the churches at these several meetings will appear in detail in the Table appended to this report.

Mention must be made of some special matters which occupied the attention of your Board. Prominent among these was the employment of

A STATE EVANGELIST.

This matter was discussed at the Convention, and the Board instructed to secure an Evangelist, if they should find it practicable. At the meeting of the Board on October 30th the matter was further discussed, and a committee appointed, consisting of Revs. J. H. Mason, J. S. James, C. A. Piddock, C. L. Rhoades and P. S. Evans, to whom was entrusted the duty of selecting an Evangelist. Certain regulations were also made to govern the committee in directing the work of the Evangelist.

The committee at once entered upon the duty assigned them; but it was not till the meeting of the Executive Committee on Jan. 8th that the committee was able to report that they had found the man, in the person of Rev. Drew T. Wyman, who had been very warmly commended for the position. The Executive Committee ratified this appointment, and made further rules for the guidance of the special committee.

The Evangelist began his labors on Jan. 15th. He held meetings in Rockville, Hartford, Voluntown, Jewett City, Winsted and Mystic, giving great satisfaction everywhere, and the Lord blessing his work to the salvation of many. In the report which he gave to the committee Mr. Wyman says:

"During the 82 days I have preached 74 times, given 50 Bible readings, and 12 prayer meetings and Sunday School addresses, beside the

singing and inquiry-meeting work in all these meetings. As to results, no figures can furnish a satisfactory basis for an estimate. It might be properly said, however, that the practice, so commonly in vogue, of circulating cards so worded that almost any one could be easily persuaded to sign them, has not been resorted to as a test of numbers. The test usually required has been furnished in the revival of the anxious seat. Estimated mostly upon the basis furnished by this test, 206 have presented themselves as earnest enquirers."

The actual additions to the churches with whom Mr. Wyman has labored have been: At Rockville, 19; at Hartford, 9; at Voluntown, 10; at Jewett City, 3; at Winsted, 20; and at Mystic, 61, making 122 in all. It cannot, of course, be said that the conversion of all these is due to the labors of our Brother. It must, on the other hand, be remembered that the effect of his ministry in promoting the spiritual life of the church, and so in producing lasting results, was beyond measure beneficial.

At the meeting of your Board in April, the question of continuing the employment of Mr. Wyman was considered, but no conclusion being reached, it was referred back to the special committee with power. This committee, unwilling to take the responsibility of a decision, called a special meeting of the Executive Committee on May 2d, who, after full discussion, very reluctantly voted that "it is inexpedient at this time to further employ an Evangelist." As the chairman, Rev. J. H. Mason, has said: "It would have been the joy of the Committee to engage Mr. Wyman for permanent evangelistic work in the State, if the means had been in sight."

THE ADVANCE.

At the Board meeting in October, the Secretary was instructed to publish a little paper in the interests of the Convention, which might be freely circulated. Such a paper has been published under the title of "The Advance." Four numbers have already appeared. An edition of 5,000 is published and distributed among all the churches.

The advertisements and subscriptions have not paid the cost, but no charge has been made upon the Convention funds. We think this little sheet must have stimulated the interest in our State work; and to it we are probably indebted for the fact that our offerings from the churches, notwithstanding the hard times, have not materially diminished.

LOANS TO CHURCHES.

Within the year now closing, payment has been made to your Treasurer of certain moneys from legacies. Out of the avails of these

legacies your Board has made loans of \$1,000 to the Swedish church, New Britain, and of \$1,000 to the German church of Waterbury; the same to be without interest, but to be repaid within a stipulated time in yearly installments. Mr. A. J. Shipley has generously contributed \$500 toward the loan to the German church.

Your Board feels that this form of church aid should receive greater care in its bestowment than it has formerly. When large sums of money are given to a church, for building or for repairing, a portion at least, if not the whole, should be considered only as a temporary loan, without interest, and should in time find its way back into the treasury, to be used again and again for the same purpose. Help of this kind is greatly needed at all times. Churches would be glad often to avail themselves of a loan, when they might hesitate to ask a gift. The existence of such a helpful fund might also attract donations and legacies.

THE FRENCH MISSION,

which had been abandoned for several years, has again been taken up. Rev. Daniel Leclaire has been employed to labor among the French in Putnam and Danielsonville. He has met with a very fair measure of success. The letter of the Putnam church to the Ashford Association especially mentioned the encouragement they had found in the additions made to their number from the French Mission. Mr. George Morse of Putnam has generously contributed \$125 towards Mr. Leclaire's salary. There is no doubt in the mind of your Board that this work should be carried on and enlarged. There has been some difficulty in securing men of piety and of tact to carry on the mission work among the French population. As it is not the policy to build up separate French churches, but to draw the converts that may be made into our American churches, it is evident that the workers should be brought into most intimate relations with the local churches and pastors.

Your Board would suggest that churches in communities where large numbers of French are employed, such as at Putnam, Danielsonville, Willimantic, Jewett City, and other places, endeavor to secure a French Christian worker, either man or woman, as Assistant Pastor, to work under direction of the American Pastor. Where such church cannot bear all the expense, the aid of the Convention might be granted.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

Your Board has not itself considered the matter fully, but suffers the Secretary to suggest in this Report, for the consideration of the Convention, whether the method just alluded to for the prosecution

of mission work among the French might be profitably employed to some extent in work among the Germans, and Swedes, and Italians, and other nationalities. The churches already formed and provided with chapels will prosecute their work as in the past. Yet even some of these might be helped by being brought into close relationship, and living, sympathetic touch with our American churches. But is it not possible to adopt the method proposed in some places where work has already been begun, and to begin a similar method of work in other places? It would seem, for instance, that the Hartford Swede church, already worshipping in their house, might be an integral part of the South Church, and its pastor an assistant pastor. Might not, then, one of the other churches undertake a work among the Germans, and another a work among the Italians, as in case of the Stamford Church?

So also might the Swede church at New Haven be taken up and cared for by the First Church, and the other churches divide the other nationalities among themselves. Were this done throughout the State, in our larger cities, the work could be done at less expense, or more work could be done at the same expense. The necessity for building separate chapels could often be avoided, or where they needs must be built, these chapels could be availed of for other religious uses. These assistant pastors could be made useful in the American churches; as, in most cases, men could be found who could speak and do Christian work in English as well as in their native tongue. The young people would come into our Sunday Schools and prayer meetings, and would enter into the social life of our people. So the barriers of a foreign language would be the sooner broken down.

STUDENT SUPPLIES.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee on May 2nd, 1894, leave was granted for the hiring of Ministerial Students who might spend their Summer vacation in supplying destitute parishes. A committee consisting of Rev. W. G. Fennell, Mr. J. W. Manning and the Secretary was appointed to direct the work. Mr. G. A. Martell, a member of the middle class in Newton, labored for three months with the Eastford church, and with very favorable results. There had been much discouragement following the resignation of Pastor Randlett. But the church gathered in unusual numbers, and became again a united people. Deacon A. T. Allen writes: "Mr. Martell has begun an excellent work. Last night a young man came to church who never went to a prayer meeting in his life before. Several are asking what they must do to be saved. There were 135 people at church

yesterday, and 129 one week ago. These are the largest congregations that have been in our church for many years." Brother Martell himself writes, under date of August 23d: "At our meeting last night three rose as having found Christ; three others rose for prayers. The Lord is moving on the hearts of the people. Things are very different from what they were when I came. There is much more earnestness and a greater spirit of prayer. The members are desiring more and more to enter more fully into the life which is hid with Christ in God." The church has already called a pastor, and looks to the Convention for continued aid.

Mr. E. B. Dolan, also a member of the middle class in Newton, labored for three months in West Hartford. His labors there were very acceptable, and did much to put new energy and hopefulness into the little handful of faithful ones who are laboring to keep the Baptist banner waving in that village. There has been no settled pastor over this church for several years. There is a very good meeting house and a comfortable parsonage, but the membership has been small and they have not felt able to support a pastor. They have had pretty constant supplies, but these, even the best of them, are a very poor substitute for a resident pastor. West Hartford is a beautiful suburb of Hartford, and is sure to increase in population, especially now that the electric road runs through the village. It is very important that a good man be put at once upon the field, and kept there in spite of all discouragement, until he finds the success which will be sure to reward perseverance. This cannot, however, be done without generous help from the Convention. Whether it will be done or not must depend upon the support the churches give the Convention.

These two young brethren received \$100 each, besides expenses, for their summer work. Of this amount your treasury furnished \$90.

THE CONDITION OF THE AIDED CHURCHES.

So far as the smaller country churches are concerned, there is little change. It is in their cases simply a repetition of the same old story—of continued struggle on the part of the members, and of self-sacrificing service on the part of the pastors. As much true heroism is often displayed by the pastors of the small churches in Connecticut as is needed in our far western fields, or in many of the foreign fields. The same condition of things prevails to-day as when your help was first offered them. In some instances the depletion of population and in resources is still going on. These churches are still acting as feeders to our larger churches. Moreover, in almost every instance, these churches are the only evangelical churches in the communities

which they serve. The thought cannot be entertained of withholding help.

The Poquonnock Church has experienced a gracious revival, that has sprung up from among the young people. Quite a number of additions have been made to the church, 14 have been baptized, and the pastor, Brother N. T. Allen, is greatly encouraged. There is, we believe, an increase rather than a decrease in this part of Groton, which is the Banner Baptist town of the State, and the church will not long need the little help they have received.

Old Lyme. Five have been added to the church since last October, and there are hopeful signs of future increase. The pastor writes: "Altogether, in all our work, though moving slowly because of head winds, we can only say thus far, 'Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory.'"

Since the Memorial Church in Hartford has taken care of itself, the only new American churches that we are aiding are those in Rockville and in Winsted. The Rockville Church was the first to enjoy the services of Brother Wyman. As a partial result of those labors 19 have been added to the church by baptism. Pastor Potter has had from the first the confidence of his people. He has been a judicious, hard-working pastor. That he has not met with the full measure of success that he had hoped for is not owing to any want of fidelity on his part. He has felt it his duty to resign his pastorate, and it will be very hard to find a successor.

The Winsted Church has had another year of prosperity. Twenty have been received by baptism, and 17 by letter. The membership is now 141. But for one or two untoward circumstances, together with the falling off in business, the church would have been able to forego any further help. It does, however, appeal to your Board for a reduction in the appropriation.

The New Hartford Church has suffered much from the removal of its members, but the pastor, H. E. Chapman, has been very earnest and indefatigable in his work. He is making strenuous efforts to reach the foreigners—the French and the Hungarians. He is taking pains to improve himself in French, that he may the better reach the French. He circulates the Scriptures freely among them, and has secured the attendance of some of the youth in the Bible School. Six have been added by baptism. The church labors under a great disadvantage in the location of its meeting house, and its removal to a more eligible site is seriously discussed.

We would gladly speak of the other American country churches, such as Sterling Hill, Bantam, the Cornwalls, the Colebrooks and

Tariffville, and of the good work they are doing. But it would be only to repeat what has been said a good many times before. The conditions of the fields are such that there can be no great change.

The Messiah Church (colored) of Bridgeport continues on in its earnest efforts to obtain a house of worship. As was announced last year, they have secured and paid for an eligible lot, at a cost of \$2,190. During this year they have kept up their current expenses, and laid up \$500 towards a building. There really seems no doubt of their ability, with God's blessing, to establish themselves on a firm foundation, if only they were put in possession of a suitable church home. To secure this they must receive generous help from outside. We speak a word in their behalf, and urge that either they receive a liberal temporary loan from the Convention, or that they be given a warm commendation to the churches, and direct contributions from them, in answer to the appeal we feel they are fully justified in making.

The Bridgeport German Church has changed pastors. Rev. John Schuff resigned last December. After an interval of three months Rev. John H. Myers, formerly of Meriden, was called to the pastorate. There has been quite a serious division in the church, but there is a prospect of returning harmony. We cherish the hope that this church will yet fill the position of influence among the Germans that its friends have prophesied for it.

The Bridgeport Swede Church, after being for some months without a pastor, called Rev. William Johansen about the first of April. His labors seem to have been greatly blessed, the church reporting 84 baptisms in the last six months. With this enlarged membership we hope the church will soon be able to provide its own expenses, notwithstanding the incubus of a debt of nearly \$3,000.

The New Haven Swede Church has felt the pressure of the times in loss of membership by removal, and in the diminution of financial strength on the part of those who remain. It is, with them, a time of great anxiety. Had they been in possession of a church home, no doubt they would have held their own. Their pastor is soon to leave them, and their future is a matter of uncertainty. It is not so much for the sake of those already gathered into the church, as for the sake of those who might yet be reached, that it seems so essential to maintain services in the Swedish tongue.

The New Britain Swede, Pastor J. P. Forsell, and the Meriden Swede, Pastor Thomas Clafford, have prospered. Fifteen have been baptized in the former, and 11 in the latter church. The New Britain Church is now well housed, and although they have a heavy debt to provide for, they will, with the blessing of God, pull through. A loan of \$1,000

without interest has been made to this church by your Board. We are glad to notice a step in the right direction which has been taken by the Meriden Swede Church, in connection with the First Meriden. An English speaking Bible School has been opened by the brethren of the First Church, in the Swede meeting house. In process of time, no doubt, there will be an English Swede Church formed. This church has just erected a parsonage.

The Waterbury Swedes have not yet been organized into an independent church, but still remain a branch of the First. They occupy, in conjunction with an English Mission, a hall which the First Church has provided. They have called a pastor, Rev. O. J. Peterson, who is doing good, faithful work among them. Six have been baptized the last year. The Hartford Swede Church has called a new pastor, Rev. Nils Ek, and good reports reach us of his work. He has baptized five.

A general review of our work, brethren, shows that we have made appropriations to 36 churches and missions, assisting in the support of 28 pastors and missionaries, most of whom have been employed for the entire year in preaching the Gospel—in feeding the flock of God, over whom the Holy Ghost has made them overseers. Two of these men have been ministering to our colored brethren; two of them to our German brethren; six of them to the Swedes among us; one only to the French; while 18 have, as pastors or as missionaries, been supplying our own American churches. Is this an insignificant work? We do not say that if your aid had been withheld, all, or any part of, these ministrations would have actually ceased. The churches and pastors are actuated by such self-denying zeal for Christ that, in most cases if not in all, the work would have been carried on, though at a disadvantage. But is it not worth while to have lightened the burdens of these brethren in the Lord? Shall we feel less interest in these, our brethren, than in the laborers in the more remote portions of the Lord's Vineyard? Is it distance alone that lends enchantment to this view? Shall it not count for something in our work, that all know where and what the work is, and who the workers are? In pushing our work in the great West, in trying to be first in new fields, it is unavoidable that some ventures should be made which prove failures. So we are told that there are not a few deserted towns, with their empty churches. But here we run no risks; we build on sure foundations. We know no interest you have fostered that has failed.

Now, brethren, we must needs do as much for these churches next year as this. For some of them it would be well for us to do much more than we have done. It is not, perhaps, well in this report to specify where this work should be done, lest we should arouse ex-

pectations that we might not be able to realize. But certainly there are fields where a wise economy demands a much larger expenditure; where, if we cannot do more than we are doing, it might be better to do nothing; fields in which, if we sow liberally now we may hope to reap abundantly. Nothing withholds your Board from this more liberal policy save the inadequacy of the contributions from our churches.

THE NEW WORK DEMANDED.

We have repeatedly, in our reports, called attention to places where there are promising openings for Baptist churches, as in Torrington and Greenwich, but where the Baptists have not courage enough, nor financial strength enough, to start a new enterprise without the assurance of outside aid. It seems no longer possible to make a beginning in the same inexpensive way that the Fathers did. In those earlier days those who called themselves Baptists were the subjects of so much obloquy and reproach; their principles were so opposed and ridiculed, that no self-respecting Baptist could find a home in any other denomination. Hence, they were compelled to consort together. Once established, they prospered under persecution.

Now all this is changed. All churches extend a cordial welcome to Baptist people into their churches, and are conveniently silent or only good naturedly argumentative on denominational differences, so long as they can retain their Baptist friends, and so prevent the formation of other churches. No doubt Baptist principles have made considerable headway in many of these churches, and Baptists may rightly feel themselves much more at home than formerly. In the year 1893, out of the 312 Congregational churches, 103 churches, having a membership of 11,238, baptized no child.

Still we feel that the mission of our denomination is not yet accomplished. The same reasons that justify our continuance anywhere demand our extension everywhere, at least in any community where there is room for our activity. But we cannot enter upon these open and inviting fields without means to secure a foothold and build a chapel. Beside the places where there is as yet no Baptist church, the outlying districts of some of our cities offer most inviting openings for new missions. Nor can we expect that the city churches will always organize and sustain these new interests alone. The city church requires sometimes a little outside pressure to open their eyes to the need of another church. Our State is so small that what we call city mission work may well be comprehended in our State work.

We would again call your attention to the need of beginning a work among the Italians. Our Congregational brethren began this work in Berlin, among the brick workers, in 1893. The Secretary, writing of this work, says: "The Italian immigrant may be ignorant,

but he is not callous, and is quickly responsive to any kindly effort made for his well being. He is anxious to learn." At Stamford, as we mentioned in our last report, a good work has been done, and a mission opened for the Italians. There is little doubt that reliable workers might be obtained. These people are here to stay. Many hundreds of them have already been naturalized. We need also to extend our work among the French.

OUR NEEDS FOR THE FUTURE.

With all the old work to keep up, and so much new work that demands to be taken up, we feel compelled to ask from the churches a large advance upon their former contributions. Of course, if what has been done is a full measure of what can be done, we must needs be content. Yet it must be evident to all that a great advance is possible. Our churches, brethren, ought not to be satisfied with the returns that are made in benevolence. Very little gain has actually been made in the last seventeen years. The average in 1893, according to our tables, was \$2.16½ per member, and in 1877, \$1.48. But in 1877 only missionary collections proper were returned. The last few years we have encouraged the return of moneys raised for all objects. Taking only missionary money last year, we find a total of \$29,900, which is only \$1.28 for every member, less by 20 cents than was given in 1877. One dollar and twenty-eight cents for all missions, and 16 cents of it only for State missions, is a very inadequate return. The study of the tables will show you that there is a great inequality among our churches in the matter of giving. Some of our small churches are very liberal; some of our large churches are, at least, very remiss. It certainly is possible for us to double our missionary offerings. Of this increase your Board asks from the churches the larger half until our State work shall assume, in the alms and prayers of the churches, the magnitude its importance demands. At the Rhode Island Convention the general sentiment, voiced by ringing resolutions and endorsed by such broad-minded men as Dr. King and Dr. Bixby, was that the State Work should receive the first and largest share of the benevolence of the churches. On the stability and growth of the churches at home depends the prosperity of missions abroad.

Other denominations in the State, recognizing the importance of this work, are giving most generously. We mention this, not in a spirit of rivalry, but that we may be stirred to bear our share in the evangelization of the field entrusted to us. Grateful to the churches for the encouragement and support of your Board; conscious that some of these churches have met the full measure of their responsibility; and devoutly thankful to our loving Lord for the gracious out-

pouring of His Holy Spirit, in which so many of our churches have shared, we respectfully submit this Report.

For the Board,

P. S. EVANS, *Secretary.*

SUMMARY OF REPORTS FROM AIDED CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		Quarters Aided.	Baptisms.	No. of Members.	Sermons Preached	Raised on the Field.	Benevolent Offerings.	Paid by Convention.
Bridgeport	German, . . .	2 $\frac{2}{3}$	4	31	70	\$337.25	\$29.40	\$133.33
"	Messiah, . . .	4	6	108	129	760.51	27.00	150.00
"	Swede, . . .	2	34	174	89	260.00	35.35	50.00
New Haven	" . . .	4	3	52	196	736.00	92.00	150.00
Meriden	" . . .	4	11	72	174	770.35	52.80	108.33
Hartford	" . . .	3 $\frac{2}{3}$	5	50	158	540.97	84.44	91.66
New Britain	" . . .	4	15	77	205	434.32	71.95	150.00
Waterbury	" . . .	4	6	27	140	547.00	. . .	100.00
Seymour & Waterbury								
German,		4	8	49	143	429.63	42.34	200.00
French Mission,		4 $\frac{1}{3}$	11	38	60	. . .	. . .	270.63
West Hartford,		1	. . .	29	26	248.00	7.00	35.00
Tariffville,		3	. . .	58	90	650.00	21.50	112.50
New Hartford,		4	6	60	100	595.50	31.70	250.00
Winsted,		4	20	141	84	967.86	62.71	200.00
North Colebrook,		4	1	27	62	111.30	23.50	40.00
South Colebrook,		4	. . .	47	48	146.50	35.00	40.00
Bantam,		4	. . .	71	55	195.41	39.00	50.00
East Cornwall,		4	. . .	52	49	131.62	20.40	50.00
Cornwall Hollow,		4	. . .	37	25	146.25	9.25	50.00
Rockville,		4	19	97	84	718.95	35.97	200.00
Andover,		4	. . .	44	78	229.73	30.66	50.00
Westford,		2	. . .	47	65	39.86	. . .	25.00
Eastford,		3	. . .	71	43	349.92	28.50	105.00
Sterling Hill,		4	2	87	73	367.06	65.70	100.00
Poquonnock,		4	14	105	91	430.00	10.00	60.00
Salem and Scott Hill,		4	1	74	234	416.00	27.65	100.00
Old Lyme,		4	5	99	98	400.00	54.55	100.00
Norwich Mt. Calvary,		1	22	133	26	857.75	67.00	25.00
Norwich Third,		1	1	85	26	1,000.00	87.80	25.00
East Haddam,		1 $\frac{2}{3}$	. . .	83	44	450.00	11.15	125.00
Shelton,		2 $\frac{2}{3}$	5	108	76	409.37	12.57	141.00
Totals,		26 $\frac{1}{3}$	199	2133	2731	\$13,677.11	\$1,096.89	\$3,287.45
SPECIAL.								
Loan to N. Brit. Swede,								\$1,000.00
" W'b'y Germ'n,								1,000.00
								\$5,287.45

A summary of the Treasurer's report was presented by W. F. Walker. The report was accepted and ordered on file and printed in the minutes.

A notice was received from the First Baptist Church of Bridgeport, inviting the Convention to meet with them next year.

After benediction by Rev. J. D. Herr, the Convention was adjourned until 2 :30 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

At the call of President Wayland, the Convention was assembled at 2 :30 P. M. "Stand up, stand up for Jesus" was sung. The report of the Committee on Trustees was accepted, and the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot for the ones recommended, and they were declared elected.

Trustees for three years.—Rev. J. B. Lemon, Rev. J. H. Mason, Rev. W. D. McKinney, Rev. Henry Clarke, Rev. W. G. Fennell, Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., Rev. E. M. Poteat, Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Hon. J. W. Manning, A. J. Shipley,

Trustee for one year (to fill vacancy caused by removal of Rev. W. L. Swan).—Rev. Archibald Wheaton.

The Committee on Nomination of Officers reported through their chairman, Rev. W. G. Fennell, and the election of the following officers was recommended :

For President—Francis Wayland.

" *Vice-President*—L. A. Gallup.

" *Secretary*—Philip S. Evans.

" *Treasurer*—W. F. Walker.

" *Auditor*—John E. Darrow.

Voted, That the Secretary deposit the ballot for the above list of officers ; upon his doing this they were declared elected.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD.

Rev. Arthur W. Smith of Shelton said :

"I am glad that the Church is once more in the hands of the Convention; it is for the interest of the Church. I settled on the field in February, and tried to take knowledge of things as they were and move on to success. We have 109 members, but only 71 are resident members. The financial work is extremely difficult; the troubles through which we have passed make the burden of such a year all the heavier. In addition to this, a source of income upon which we had depended has failed. But we have some encouragements; 21 have been added to the church since last February, and the people seem ready to respond to suggestions made by the pastor, and are contributing nobly to benevolent objects."

Rev. W. N. Morton of the Messiah Church, Bridgeport, said :

"I have been in Bridgeport six years. Things were in bad condition at that time, but there has been some improvement. For the past four years we have received from the Convention \$12½ a month towards our rent; we have paid the other \$12½; we have also raised \$2,190 for a lot; last year we paid for our lot; we want to build a meeting house next year; we have not money with which to build; but we would like to ask the Convention to loan us the money, which we will return as soon as possible. Our people were not accustomed in the South to meeting in old halls, up two or three flights of stairs, and this has hindered our work; we feel that we shall be prospered more fully when we have a church home of our own."

Rev. W. A. Schoen of Waterbury said :

"There has been another child born to the Convention, and I am to represent it to-day. We were recognized as a church Saturday afternoon, and dedicated our meeting house Sunday. There are 5,000 Germans in Waterbury, and they have no church save a Lutheran church of 70 members, and our little church. I have labored there two years, and the Lord has blessed us abundantly. We met in the First Baptist meeting house until their growing meetings made it impossible, and then the Convention helped us to build a little chapel of our own. Our home is now worth \$4,000, and is almost clear of debt. The Convention let us have \$1,000, and we are to pay it at the rate of \$50 a year, without interest. We have an interesting and prosperous Sunday School."

Prof. James Williams of Newton Theological Seminary spoke of the mission to the French Canadians :

"There are about three-fourths of a million of these people in New England, and the coming of such a multitude must have a meaning. The Catholics say that it is a divine providence that New England may be made subject to the Pope; but we feel that God has sent them here that they may come in contact with Christianity and become servants of Jesus. The Catholics are doing all in their power to hold in their grasp this people, but Christ is winning some, who are becoming earnest workers in the cause."

Rev. J. H. Mason of New Haven opened the general discussion on State Missions with a carefully prepared paper on "The Long Arm of the State Convention."

The State Convention is a body with a heart, a brain, and a far-reaching arm. By reaching out to help the feeble churches they help to raise up some of the best ministers and laymen in our cities; but these workers thus raised up are the pioneer workers in the West, and they are also amongst our best missionaries in the foreign field; so that as we help the State Convention we are extending the kingdom of Christ in every part of the world.

Rev. E. C. Sage felt that we ought to give as much to the State Convention as to the foreign work; there is an especial responsibility resting on us for the work at home.

Rev. J. A. Elder thought we ought to help the Convention, because we are making contributions of men to every part of the country.

Rev. W. G. Fennell said we ought to help the Convention, because it can reach and hold strategic points. We are to give, not because we feel like it, or even because we believe in it, but simply because Jesus, our Master, says so. The great, eternal love of Jesus is the one great reason for missions.

Rev. J. R. Stubbart suggested that there seemed to be a romance about the work that is far away, whilst that which is near is neglected. We begin at the wrong end in our work.

In Putnam the work was begun by prayer, and there were 30 conversions before help was asked from the Convention. We need to put fire and spirit and zeal into the work; then there will be no difficulty in getting the money to carry on the work.

Rev. C. L. Rhoades said that a great deal of money had been poured into this work which was never reported to the Convention. We need more consecration, more hand-to-hand work.

Rev. W. D. McKinney felt that the right key had been touched; God's greatest gifts are not comprised in gold and silver, but in men; therefore we ought to seek diligently for these young men.

Pastors Morris, Wheaton and Nicholson also joined in the discussion.

Rev. Dr. E. T. Hiscox led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

TUESDAY EVENING.

At the call of President Wayland, the Convention re-assembled at 7 p. m. After singing "From the Cross the Blood is Falling," Rev. J. P. Brown led in prayer.

Rev. Geo. M. Stone, D. D., gave the report of the Committee on Foreign and Home Missions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The unforgetting love of God to His church is expressed in the perennial birth of the spirit of missions in the hearts of His people. While this spirit has its ebb and flow in the history of the church, the most intelligent reading of that history will lead to the conclusion that even in its darkest periods the flame of desire to propagate the name and the power of Christ has been alive and operative in Christian hearts. It has been told of the Waldenses of the thirteenth cen-

tury, that they went as peddlers to the peasant's cottage and the nobleman's castle, offering fabrics and jewelry for sale, and when asked if they had anything else, they answered: "Yes, great rarities. I have one precious stone, through which you can see God, and another which kindles love to Him in the heart." Then they brought out a hidden copy of the Bible. Every century since the Spirit said at Antioch, "Separate me, Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them," has witnessed similar love and zeal. Another conclusion forces itself upon us in the history of Christian missions, namely, that love and desire for the conversion of men have been measured in perceptible degrees by the providential opportunity of different historical epochs. The Spirit of God and the providence of God are in secret, but manifestly real co-operation for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ. Behind all human activity are these Divine forces working in that Divine harmony revealed to Ezekiel, when in his vision he saw the Spirit of the living creature moving the wheels, which symbolized the activity of Jehovah in the Earth. Says an American writer, honored as a member of our Baptist Communion, "Both Luther and Loyola were in their boyhood, the one at a German grammar school, the other romping in the nursery of an old Spanish castle, when Columbus planted his foot on the shores of San Salvador." The latter was to found the order of Jesuits, the former was to summon Europe back to the primitive standards of Christian faith and life. Both have exercised a vast influence upon the destinies of this continent.

When Wilberforce eulogized William Carey as "the poor cobbler who framed the resolution to give the Bible to the millions of Hindoos in their own language," he could not see, as we can to-day, how accurately timed was this impulse in Carey's heart with the British occupation of India and the growing prestige of English government and English thought in those vast realms of the Orient. In the light of these historic coincidences and many others which might be cited, we ask, first, what measure of the missionary spirit in our American churches should be regarded as commensurate with our opportunity; and, second, what resources of a spiritual and material kind ought our faith to appropriate in order to enter into this opportunity, according to its length and breadth? The open doors in this last decade of the nineteenth century require a great increase of the missionary spirit in intelligence, quantity and quality. We have reached that stage of the world's history when we may expect rapid movements among the nations of the earth. The present complications growing out of the war between Japan and China may in a few weeks necessitate a re-

moulding of the map of Europe and Asia. The issue of the contest between these childish nations can hardly fail to increase our opportunity in the East to extend the kingdom of Christ. Manifestly an intelligent recognition of these facts should produce within the church activities of marked rapidity and comprehensive sagacity. There are times when to act promptly duplicates many-fold the power of activity. Men who are upon the watch-towers of observation, with something of prophetic glance, admonish us that we are verging close upon such times to-day. But six years remain to the close of the wonderful nineteenth century. Before this century shall be rung out and the twentieth rung in, we may justly anticipate providential developments fitted to summon us to an investiture with the spirit of missions, which, in quantity and quality, will overshadow all previous measures of it. Every believer must be alive with it, and many believers must be open to receive it in degrees which shall recall the bright morning hours of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles. That same Barnabas who, having a field, sold it and laid the money at the feet of the Apostles, afterwards gave his own richly-gifted person to missions. It is probable if the modern Church were fewer in numbers and poorer in resources, her contributions to missions would be larger. Carrying now a great burden of worldly profession, the billions of treasure possessed by her are used to minister to the lusts of the flesh and the pride of life. The gifts of multi-millionaires are to be welcomed, if no taint which God would disapprove rests upon them. Let us, however, beware of exalting these givers above those whose benefactions bear the fragrance of sacrifice. Some one has said: "If a man worth ten millions gives away one million to God's kingdom, he is yet able by strict economy to live upon the remaining nine." On the other hand, the man worth ten thousand, if he give one thousand, will feel a reduction in his income and realize that he has parted with something for his Lord.

Times there are when we do well to consider what judgment is likely to be passed upon us by the generations who are to succeed us in the evangelization of our own and other lands. They will not fail to recall our marvelous opportunity in this country. The tribes of the world are gathered in our cities and upon our plains. Every people and tongue have their representatives under the shadow of our churches and schools. Then it will be remembered that our sails in this latter half of the nineteenth century whitened every sea, and that commerce was the pathfinder of the kingdom to every port of the world. How shall we be estimated by the men of the future for the manner in which we treated these facts of our time? A few

hours since, in the city of New York, men and women placed their watches, rings and jewels upon God's altar as a gift for Christian Missions. Will this, by-and-by, be regarded as a wild and fanatical impulse, or an inspiration from the divine throne?

For a variety of reasons the number of givers must be increased. In order to this, it will become necessary for us to take a fresh inventory of our resources, both spiritual and material. We have rediscovered the terms of our commission to preach and teach all nations, but the promise of Christ, "Lo, I am with you always, to the end of the age," has been only imperfectly understood as yet. It is our divine warrant and Christ's unalterable pledge of power to execute the command which precedes it. Someone has said, the Church must decree what God has decreed. Her voice must be lifted up in response to His. By an inevitable law, money gravitates toward the recognized place of power. Men of business are quick to discern the centers where investments will bring ample returns. Will not money flow toward a Church quickened afresh with a sense of her divine power and moving obediently toward the fulfillment of Christ's last command? Finally, it should be an emphasized fact that we have yet only touched the fringes of heathendom with missionary endeavor. At the recent meeting of the American Board in Chicago, one of the speakers called especial attention to this fact, that "the evangelization of the world is still far from full accomplishment. In the heart of Africa there is a vast population, exceeding that of our Federal Republic, without a missionary. Over Asia and the sea-girt islands are spread uncounted throngs to whom Christ is an unknown name; two hundred and fifty millions of the human race are practically naked at this moment; half of mankind are living in huts and caves, and more than half are barbarians or savages. It is the call of God which bids us discern these signs of the time."

This is the night side. On the other is a risen Christ, the Holy Spirit, in Whose dispensation we now live—the Holy Spirit Who has no Olivet of Ascension, but Who abides to press obligation, as the atmosphere presses so many pounds upon every square inch of the earth's surface. This Spirit is in the Church—a Church abundant in numbers and rich in material resources. May the crying need and the gracious supply be brought speedily side by side in actual contact, and our Lord thus bring in His Everlasting Kingdom.

GEO. M. STONE,	} <i>Committee.</i>
J. H. MASON,	
G. F. GENUNG,	
A. S. STOWELL,	

After an anthem by the choir, Col. C. H. Banes gave an address on the work of the Publication Society.

Rev. F. T. Hazlewood presented the work of the Home Mission Society, calling especial attention to the "New England Ideas."

After singing "Ye Christian Heralds Go Proclaim," Rev. A. J. Gordon held the closest attention as he spoke of Foreign Missions.

The services of the evening were closed with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Gordon.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Convention re-assembled at 8:30 A. M. After singing "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less," President Wayland called upon Rev. S. D. Phelps, D. D., to offer prayer.

Rev. Archibald Wheaton, in behalf of the Committee, presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

It is gratifying to be able to report an advance this year along all the usual lines of church work. The Convention last year, at Danbury, was one of marked spiritual power, and high hopes were expressed there that the year of 1894 would be one of great fruitfulness. These hopes have not been disappointed.

The total number of baptisms reported is 1318, which is more than any annual record for at least 17 years, and 418 more than last year. The record by Associations is as follows: Ashford, 71, a gain of 36; Fairfield, 170, a gain of 67; Hartford 176, a loss of 79; New Haven, 435, a gain of 121; New London, 319, a gain of 255; Stonington union, 147, a gain of 78; making a total net gain of 459, which is 359 more than the net gain in 1893. In 1880 the total number of baptisms reported was only 351, but since that time there has been a gradual gain, until seven or eight hundred have become familiar numbers. It is to be hoped that the number may never again be expressed in less than four figures.

The financial reports show a corresponding increase in most departments. The statements for last year include the special Centennial offerings to the Foreign Mission societies, so that it should not be disappointing if the reports this year show a diminution in this particular. But, it is the impression of the committee that our total contributions, to Foreign Missions this year, will be found to considerably exceed those reported in any year previous to 1893.

As might be expected in a year of spiritual prosperity, there have been less changes in the pastoral office than in some former years, 19, vs. 25 of last year, which is probably a dozen more than were beneficial. The unprecedented business depression, pervading the whole country, has been met by our Baptist churches with a wonderful degree of patient sacrifice, by virtue of which our religious work makes, for once, a better showing than any other department of our activities. The employment of a State Evangelist, in accordance with the recommendation of the Board's Committee, was attended by most gratifying results, indicative of a wise course for the future. There are probably scores of churches in the State where a few days assistance to the overworked pastor, by an experienced and properly qualified Evangelist, would very greatly multiply the annual number of conversions.

We have very few churches which seem to be capable of adequately cultivating their own local fields, not to criticise their qualifications for satisfactory service to the regions beyond, and the best way to attain to this ideal is to afford the churches the greatest possible amount of exercise in evangelistic work, under the leadership of the best qualified winners of souls.

Work along the lines of Temperance and other reforms, has made encouraging progress, and there are everywhere indications that our improved facilities, increased resources, and recent re-inforcements to the number of workers, warrant us in confidently planning for still greater things in the year to come.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARCHIBALD WHEATON, } *Committee.*
J. W. PAYNE, }

The report was followed by a discussion of the subject.

Rev. F. G. McKeever said :

"There are many encouraging things to be told of the New London Association. Every church that has had a pastor through the year reports baptisms. We are in the best spiritual condition. There is a large amount of State work that is not reported in the minutes. This

past year our Association kept a man at work for several months at Chesterfield and Leake's Pond. The work of the 'Gospel Wagon' in Rhode Island has been very successful in reaching all classes. It is largely supported by the Sunday Schools."

Rev. F. W. C. Meyer spoke of the foreigners in the State :

"Nearly half our population are foreigners, and we have something good to give them. In New Haven there are 8,000 Russian Jews, and about as many Italians. For these we need to do aggressive work. Before beginning the work amongst the Germans we waited for some of them to be converted and begin the work; we were fifty years too late in beginning the work, for we waited until the American saloon and American lodge had taken the German."

Rev. H. M. Wolfe, Jr., said :

"My own church is arising to see the importance of personal work."

Rev. Harvey Linsley thought there was need for this work amongst the foreigners in the rural districts.

Rev. George M. Stone, D. D., said :

"Our experience shows the wisdom of employing an Evangelist. God gave gifts to men, and amongst the gifts are Evangelists. Now that immigration is stopped, we have time to think and plan for a little while. It is God's providence that has stopped immigration."

President Wayland said :

"The money to pay the Evangelist did not come from the Convention funds. At the end of six months Mr. Wyman could not be engaged for a period less than a year; we had no funds with which to pay him, and therefore deemed it wise to drop the matter."

Rev. Frank Dixon said :

"We are concerned about the feebleness of interests, but the question of deepest interest to me is of the preservation of the city churches. There is more cause for alarm in this direction. The largest proportional growth has been in the country. What is to become of the city churches when the country ceases to go to the city?"

Rev. H. M. Thompson said :

"Our church is growing from the conversions in the city. Our church has been increasing in power and influence ever since the

church property came into the hands of the Convention. The Convention did a great work for Christ in coming to our help."

Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., said :

"I am thankful for what has been done in our Association the past year; it has taken on a new life and zeal; the roll of baptisms was larger than I ever knew it before. As pastors of the various churches, we might well come together and unite in holding before the people the importance of personal work for the salvation of men. The people at large are being impressed by the scriptural truths presented by us. Dr. Gordon told me that at Northfield the past summer not a word was said on the subject of baptism, but still many came and asked for baptism, and Mr. Moody told him to baptize them, and he did so."

Voted, To accept the report and print it in the minutes.

Voted, That the report of the Board of Trustees be accepted and printed in the minutes.

At the suggestion of Bro. Larkin, a few minutes were given to receive pledges for the support of an evangelist. The following sums were pledged :

Bro. Elihu Larkin, for Calvary Church, New Haven,	\$100.00
Rev. Geo. M. Stone, of Asylum Avenue, Hartford,	50.00
Rev. F. Dixon, for South Baptist Church, Hartford, at least, .	100.00
Rev. C. L. Rhoades, Stamford,	50.00
Hon. J. L. Howard,	50.00
North Lyme Baptist Church,	10.00
Hope Church, New Haven,	50.00
Noank Church,	10.00
Mr. A. J. Shipley,	50.00
Jewett City Church,	25.00
First Meriden Church,	100.00
Total,	<u>\$595.00</u>

Voted, To defer the raising of pledges until afternoon.

Voted, To adjourn until 2 :30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Vice-President Gallup called the Convention to order at 2:30 P. M.

Pastor Hickok offered prayer.

Voted, That the whole matter of securing an evangelist be referred to the Executive Committee, and that the pledges already made be given to that Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Rev. I. F. Stidham, on behalf of the Committee on Place and Preacher for the next session, presented the following report:

"We recommend that the next Annual Meeting be held with the First Baptist Church of Bridgeport, and that Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., be the preacher, and the alternate, Rev. J. H. Mason.

Voted, To accept the report.

Rev. F. E. Robbins presented the report of the Committee on Obituaries:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Having been unable to obtain full returns of the total number of deaths during the last year, your Committee cannot render a full report. Still there is ground to believe that the total is considerably less than last year. Among them, however, are quite a number who will be greatly missed from the churches. We would speak especially of our Brother A. J. Crofut, of South Norwalk, for so many years the Auditor of the Convention; but mention has already been made of him in the report of the Board.

Three ministers have dropped from the ranks.

Rev. Charles G. Callen, late pastor of the Rowayton Baptist Church, was an Englishman by birth, who came to this country seven years ago. He served, acceptably and faithfully, two churches on Long Island, one of which was in the city of Brooklyn, and assumed the

pastorate of the church in Rowayton in 1891. Here he labored for three years with untiring zeal and rare good judgment. For several months before his death he suffered intensely, but bore it all with uncomplaining fortitude, falling peacefully in sleep at last, receiving the end of his faith..

Rev. Allen Darrow was baptized into the fellowship of the First Church, Waterford, in 1817, at the age of 14. Shortly after he responded to an imperative call from God to preach the Gospel. He was ordained in the State of Ohio, and there held several important pastorates. For a number of years he served as general agent for State Missions. He also held several pastorates in this State, as in Waterbury and in Putnam, serving for four years in each place. The last years of his life have been spent upon his farm in Waterford. He died in Montville last May, aged 91 years. Elder Darrow to the last maintained a strong influence in the Baptist church, and in the Community in Waterford, where his death is sincerely mourned.

Elder Solomon Gale died in Mystic August 4th, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He was born in Bennington, Vt., October 2nd, 1810. He began his ministry with the Putnam church, then just organized, in 1847. He has also been pastor at Cornwall Hollow, Tolland and Baltic, in this State, and in Block Island. He was stated supply of the Third Stonington church for eleven yers, rounding out 50 years in the ministry, during which he baptized over 500 converts. Most of his active ministry was spent in evangelistic labors. He was an earnest, rugged, uncompromising preacher, never shunning to declare the whole counsel of God. He did good and effective work.

Charles E. Torrey, formerly pastor of the First Church, Norwalk, departed this life April 1, at Riverside, Cal. He was greatly beloved by his people, and by all who knew him. His was a brief but, also, a fruitful ministry.

Mrs. Mary C. Elsdon, the devoted wife of our beloved brother, Rev. W. P. Elsdon, died very suddenly on Monday, October 8. She was born in Brewster, Mass., October 25, 1850, and had been for 18 years Pastor Elsdon's wife. "She was a woman of fine intellectual gifts, and of the rarest qualities of heart. She loved the work of the Master, and has been the means of winning many souls. For all departments of church life her influence was powerful for good." We extend our loving sympathy to our dear Brother Elsdon and his children in their deep affliction.

All these and many others whom we have known and loved have passed onward and upward. We love them yet. We rejoice in their promotion. They have fought the fight; they have finished the

course. Let us be faithful, and look up, and watch, for, soon, He whom we long for will come, and we shall see not only him, but those, also, who have triumphed through him.

For the Committee,
F. E. ROBBINS.

Voted, To adopt the report and print it in minutes.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Rev. F. G. McKeever :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby extended to the Central Baptist Church of Norwich for their generous hospitality in the matter of our entertainment.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to those railroads which have granted us reduced rates of passage over their lines.

Resolved, That we are grateful to the public press for full and kindly reports of our proceedings.

Resolved, That we heartily commend our State Baptist paper, *The Christian Secretary*, to all the members of all our churches.

WHEREAS, The year just closed has brought to our churches in all parts of the State extraordinary blessings from the hand of God, therefore

Resolved, That we recommend to the Pastors and churches throughout Connecticut some special public recognition of the goodness of God, in the public services of Sunday, October 21st.

WHEREAS, The agricultural fairs held within the precincts of our Commonwealth are all more or less guilty of allowing fakirs to carry on their pernicious and fraudulent games to extract money unlawfully from the unwary, and

WHEREAS, Such practices have an injurious effect on both the morals of the community and the youth who attend such fairs, therefore

Resolved, That as a Convention of Baptist Churches of the State of Connecticut, here assembled, we enter our emphatic protest against such manifest fraud, and call upon our civil officers more faithfully to enforce the laws.

Resolved, That it seems highly important that the churches be more careful in appointing delegates, so that the list of delegates reported shall be according to the provisions of Art. III of the Constitution;

further, that it would greatly facilitate the work of the Committee on Credentials if the churches would send credentials of appointed delegates before the opening of the Convention.

Resolved, That we protest, in the name of God and the law of the State, against all lottery schemes and games of chance.

The resolutions were taken up separately and adopted, and then adopted as a whole. The report was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.

During the discussion of the report Mr. J. D. Post, a member of the Deep River Church, though now living in Hartford, answered some remark about young people by saying: "I am one of the young men; I shall be only 80 years old next December. I attended the first Convention held in this city 58 years ago. It was just after the Bible Society had refused to print Dr. Judson's translation of the Bible because some words were translated instead of being transferred; this led to the formation of the Baptist Bible Society. Rev. Spencer H. Cone of New York preached the sermon on that occasion, taking for his text 'Wisdom is justified in all her children.' The sermon made a very deep and lasting impression. At that time there was only one Baptist church in the city, and that was on the west side. Rev. A. A. Robinson is the only other person present at this Convention who attended the one in 1836."

On behalf of the Committee on Sunday School work. Rev. E. W. Husted presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

The institution known as the Sunday School has more history back of it than any other organized church activity of to-day. It reaches back, if not to the fraternal orders of Rome, at least to Robert Raikes, at Gloucester, in 1780, who, with his four women, hired at a shilling a week each, instructed idle children in reading and the cate-

chism. They began their study at ten on Sunday morning with an intermission of one hour at noon, closing at five in the evening. The only rest of the afternoon was the service of the church. It is claimed for John Wesley that he inaugurated substantial Sunday Schools thirty years earlier, and for Ludwig Hecker of Ephrata, Penn., that he anticipated Wesley by at least twelve years. No matter who was first, the Sunday School has had the experience of more than a century. It has spread everywhere, found way into all denominations, built a literature and made a history. When an institution has made a name, it confronts the danger of passing into history. It is venerable, has dignity, is respectable, and demands recognition. If we do not welcome it into the ranks of living activities we may make a relic of it and hang it in a frame. We may patronize it and tolerate it. Twenty-five years ago our Baptist Sunday School enrollment in this State was, in round numbers, 15,000; ten years ago it was 19,000; one year ago, 18,000; by the last report it was 20,000. We have faced the problem of passing into history. It would seem as if that problem had begun to pass into history, and we are assured that the Sunday School is to remain in the Connecticut Baptist family. Our Sunday School meetings at Crescent Beach this year, as last, were marked with growing interest. Forty-one lots were marketed this summer at about \$4,400, providing for the debt on the tabernacle. The members of the Baptist Sea Side Resort Association are hereafter to be elected by the Connecticut Baptist Bible School Union.' As a token of the unselfish service of the members of this corporation in maintaining a work which has not always been carefully and kindly reported, it may be stated that 20 of the lots sold this summer were taken by these gentlemen, who, without pay, and without financial profit from indirect sources, have for years served the denomination as trustees. Crescent Beach is now a fact, the annual Sunday School gatherings are an assured and recognized factor in wide-awake Sunday School work. We bespeak for the Sunday Schools throughout the State the stimulus and inspiration of these sea side gatherings.

We beg to call attention to the great need of making the Sunday School more really a school. The Bible School demands the earnestness, the energy, the persistent, systematic care and toil freely granted to our secular schools. The teacher must be something more than the host to entertain the pupils as his guests for the hour. They cannot, like the nurse, wheel their children in the carriage into the temple of divine truth. The gate of this temple, like that of secular truth, is a wicket gate. It opens but to one at a time. That one must pass in on foot. God's truth, living and eternal, is of value

no less than the science of numbers or speech. We plead for a manly martial command of our powers that will make new masters of the Holy Scripture.

J. S. JAMES,
I. F. STIDHAM,
E. C. SAGE,
E. W. HUSTED,
J. P. COLLINS.

After discussion by Brethren Evans, Rhoades, Fennell, Morris, Payne and Manning, the report was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.

Rev. Walter Scott offered the following resolution :

WHEREAS, The question of war and war armaments is pressing heavily in many nations, to the detriment of the best interests of the people;

Resolved, That we record our conviction, as a Christian denomination, that our government should seek, in every judicious way, to promote international peace and disarmament.

Voted, That the Convention receive the resolution.

After a discussion by Brethren Robbins, Meyer and Rhoades, the resolution was adopted.

On behalf of the Committee on Temperance, Rev. W. G. Fennell presented the following report :

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee feel that the time has come to step out of the usual stereotyped phraseology in expressing ourselves against the evil of intemperance; at the same time it would be manifestly unjust to attempt to commit the Convention to views which exceed the consensus of opinion held by the representatives of our churches here assembled. But the evils of the drink traffic are becoming so intolerable that division of opinion as regards the wisest methods should no longer be allowed to close our lips or restrain our activities for its overthrow. Branches of the Christian church may not altogether agree as to beliefs, but they are coming to occupy common ground against sin. Different branches of the Temperance Army may conscientiously differ as to the most effective means of striking the fatal blow, but while experience is

proving that point, we should all find an aggressive position somewhere. However strong the enemy may appear, we are yet dealing with a vulnerable foe, and this foe frets under opposition of any kind; the enemy is at rest only when we are apathetic. In short, the day has passed when any Christian can occupy an indifferent position. The Sumter of virtue has been fired upon; every one must decide for or against. To this end:

1. We believe, as a fundamental principle, that the Gospel is the real reforming power for this and all other evils of society, and to this should we look as our supreme remedy. Nevertheless we believe Gospel principles should express themselves in wise efforts to promote better citizenship, and to remove the temptations which stand in the way of our weaker brother. Hence we would recommend:

2. That, considering the pernicious political influence of the saloon power, we urge that as Christians and as citizens, we seek in the wisest possible way to counteract and overcome that influence. An honest expression of Christian manhood would oftener lead to the nomination of men who would worthily represent us.

3. We strongly protest against the complicity of any member of the church in the saloon traffic, either by the leasing of property for such purposes, or by aiding it in any way whatsoever.

4. We express our joy in the growing no-license sentiment in our State, as seen in the increased number of towns taking this advanced position, and encouraged thereby would exhort our people to redouble their efforts in this direction.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. G. FENNELL,

J. B. LEMON,

A. W. CLARK,

C. H. BROWN.

The following brethren discussed the report—Stubbert, Manning, Payne, Sloper.

Voted, To adopt the report.

As the Committee on New Churches had received no applications, there was no report to be presented.

Vice-President Gallup announced the following committees for next year.:

On Nomination of Trustees—Pastors E. C. Sage, Ph. D., H. W. Pinkham, Henry Clarke, J. W. Payne, J. C. Hyde.

On Obituaries—Rev. C. A. Piddock, Pastors Leonard Smith, E. Dewhurst, R. O. Sherwood, J. A. Elder.

On Sunday School Work—Rev. W. G. Fennell, Brethren F. A. Hopkins, J. W. Barnes, F. W. Payne, H. H. Taylor, T. W. Potter, E. D. Smith.

On Temperance—Pastors J. M. Morris, A. W. Smith, W. T. Rice, Brethren Samuel Van Stone, E. M. Pryor.

On State of Churches—Pastors H. M. Wolfe, Jr., R. H. Sherman, H. C. Hickok, A. S. Brown, A. S. Stowell.

On Foreign and Home Missions—Pastors C. L. Rhoades, A. C. Hubbard, W. P. Chipman, Brethren Jabez Amsbury, and B. G. Smith.

On New Churches—Pastors J. W. Ashworth, A. C. Powell, J. W. Payne, W. P. Elsdon, Bro. J. W. Manning.

On Arrangements for Next Year—Pastors G. W. Nicholson, H. W. Pinkham, Rev. P. S. Evans, Rev. R. O. Sherwood, Bro. M. E. Morris.

Voted, That the Secretary be authorized to print the minutes without reading them to the Convention.

The Committee on Enrollment reported that 77 churches were represented by 300 delegates. Last year 79 churches were represented by 300 delegates.

Voted, That the report be adopted with such amendments as the Secretary of the Convention may find it necessary to make.

Voted, That the Committee be discharged.

After prayer and benediction by Rev. S. D. Phelps, D. D., the Convention adjourned.

FRANCIS WAYLAND,
President.

P. S. EVANS,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 12TH, 1894.

Balance on hand at last report \$ 65.39

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES.

Andover,	\$ 2.00	Montville,	10.25
Ansonia,	31.25	Moosup Union,	8.36
Bloomfield,	9.75	Mystic,	10.00
Branford,	32.00	Mystic Union,	142.21
Bridg't, E. Wash. Av., .	11.73	New Canaan,	3.50
" German,	10.00	New Hartford,	12.00
" Immanuel, . . .	4.90	N. Brit'n, F'st, C. and S.,	100.00
" Swedish,	9.05	N. Britain, Swedish, . .	7.20
" Messiah,	12.00	N. Haven, First,	391.15
Bristol, '93, \$42; '94, \$35;	77.00	" Calvary,	308.00
Bantam,	5.00	" Grand Ave., . . .	35.05
Brooklyn,	9.00	" German,	23.00
Chester,	8.08	" Hope,	61.51
Clinton,	12.00	" Immanuel,	2.38
Cornwall Hollow,	5.25	New London, First, . . .	57.64
Cromwell,	12.42	Niantic,	10.82
Danbury, Second,	83.04	New Milford,	10.00
Danielsonville,	43.95	North Colebrook,	8.00
Deep River,	80.29	North Lyme,	33.06
Eastford,	20.00	Norwalk, Calvary,	7.00
East Cornwall,	7.00	Norwich, Central,	100.00
Essex,	100.00	" Mt. Calvary, . . .	4.00
Groton, First,	21.30	Old Lyme,	20.00
" Heights,	13.34	Packersville,	15.00
Hartford, First,	110.58	Plainville,	9.44
" Asylum Av., . .	116.40	Poquonnoc Bridge,	10.00
" Memorial,	36.00	Putnam,	115.47
" Swedish,	5.00	Rockville,	24.50
" Jewett City, . . .	49.09	Saybrook, First,	14.00
Lebanon,	6.00	South Norwalk,	16.37
Mansfield,	32.00	South Windsor,	17.00
Meriden, First,	120.00	Southington,	22.34
" Main St.,	48.75	Stamford,	46.25
Middletown,	30.00	Stratford,	7.50

FROM INDIVIDUALS.

George M. Morse, Putnam,	\$125.00
A Friend,	500.00
J. S. James, Hartford,	5.00
A. J. Shipley, Waterbury, for Church Edifice Fund, . .	500.00
Mrs. Sarah Ives,	5.00
	————\$1,185.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

P. S. Evans, Services as Supply,	\$125.00
Special Fund for Additional Missionary,	21.00
Sale of Word Lot, Illinois Farm,	240.00
Woman's Baptist Home Missionary Union of Conn., .	105.00
Putnam B. Y. P. U.,	25.00
Plainville B. Y. P. U.,	2.00
	————\$ 518.00

FROM BEQUESTS.

J. W. Dimock, Hartford,	\$ 500.00
A. H. Fuller, Willimantic,	1,700.00
	————\$2,200.00
	\$9,244.26

Received from Haddam Baptist Church Voucher for
Collections Missionary Union, \$ 15.00

PAYMENTS TO CHURCHES.

Bridgeport, Swedish,	\$ 50.00
“ German,	133.33
“ Messiah,	150.00
New Haven, Swedish,	150.00
New Britain, “ ,	150.00
Meriden, “ ,	108.33
Seymour and Waterbury German,	200.00
Bantam and Cornwall,	150.00
North and South Colebrook,	80.00
Winsted,	200.00
New Hartford,	200.00
Rockville,	200.00
Eastford,	105.00
Westford,	25.00
Salem and Scott Hill,	75.00
Old Lyme,	100.00

Sterling Hill,	100.00
Poquonnoc Bridge,	60.00
Hartford, Swedish,	91.66
French Mission,	270.33
Waterbury, Swedish,	100.00
Tariffville,	112.50
Andover,	50.00
Shelton,	66.66
West Hartford,	35.00
Norwich, Third,	25.00
" Mt. Calvary,	25.00
	<hr/> \$3,012.81
P. S. Evans, Salary and Expenses,	1,688.33
Expenses of Convention,	31.50
Interest on Loans,	198.75
Rowayton Church, Income,	89.50
Mansfield " "	54.00
Andover " "	44.00
Wethersfield " "	186.95
No.Stonington " "	80.00
Printing, Hoggson & Robinson,	246.77
Insurance, Calvary Church, Putnam,	13.00
Swedish, New Britain,	1,044.00
First German, Waterbury,	1,000.00
D. T. Wyman, Evangelist,	375.00
Interest, Shelton,	90.00
Moodus Church, Income,	178.20
Willington " "	104.00
N. Colebrook " "	15.00
Expenses of Executive Committee,	9.93
Evangelist Fund,	196.00
Balance of Legacies,	700.00
Balance,	10.07
	<hr/> \$9,367.81

I have this day examined the foregoing accounts, with vouchers, and find the same to be correct.

JOHN E. DARROW, *Auditor.*

SUMMARY OF REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at last report,	\$ 65.39
From Churches,	3,499.14
“ Sunday Schools,	173.71
“ Interest,	1,151.02
For Evangelistic Work,	550.00
“ Minutes,	75.55
From Credentials,	1,135.00
“ Bequests,	2,200.00
“ Other Sources,	518.00
	<hr/> \$9,367.81

PAYMENTS.

To Churches,	\$3,012.81
P. S. Evans, Salary and Expenses,	1,688.33
Interest,	288.75
Income to Churches,	751.65
Printing,	246.77
Swedish Church, New Britain,	1,044.00
First German, Waterbury,	1,000.00
D. T. Wyman, Evangelist,	375.00
Miscellaneous,	54.43
Balance of Bequests,	700.00
“ “ Evangelist Fund,	196.00
Balance,	10.07

\$9,367.81

BEQUESTS.

The Income of Which is Payable to Designated Churches.

Bequest of Eber Dunham,	\$4,500.00
“ Esther N. Francis,	900.00
“ Ann M. May,	500.00
“ Almira O. Cone,	5,000.00
“ Alfred Francis,	1,500.00
“ Anna E. Miller Fund,	1,000.00
“ E. A. Phelps,	500.00
“ Sarah M. Frisbie,	1,000.00

Bequests, the Income of Which Belongs to the Convention.

Bequest of Martha Rogers,	\$ 500.00
“ Hannah B. Bixby,	870.00
“ Charles H. Chapman,	6,500.00
“ C. H. Sheldon,	500.00

Bequests, the Income of Which Accrues.

Alva Baldwin,	\$1,171.43
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The Convention also holds the title to the following church property: New Hartford, German of Bridgeport, Shelton, Calvary Church, Putnam, Winsted and Meriden Swedish; and mortgages for \$1,000 each on First German of Waterbury and Swedish of New Britain.

LIABILITIES.

Loan at Savings Bank of New Britain,	\$1,500.00
To A. Francis Fund,	1,200.00
	<hr/> \$2,700.00

PRINTING MINUTES.

Received from Advertising,	\$ 10.00
“ “ Woman's Baptist Foreign Miss. Society,	10.00
“ “ Ashford Association,	18.80
“ “ Stonington Union Association,	6.00
“ “ New Haven Association,	31.25
Current Funds,	171.22
	<hr/> \$246.77
Paid Hoggsson & Robinson, New Haven,	\$246.77

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

- Ansonia*—Rev. W. D. McKinney,
Mr. J. A. Fisk.
- Branford*—Rev. P. G. Wightman,
Mrs. Emily Fowler.
- Bridgeport*, East Washington Ave.
—Rev. H. W. Pinkham, William
R. Miller, Mrs. William R.
Miller, Miss Ava A. Jacobs.
- Bridgeport*, First—Rev. G. W. Nich-
olson, Mr. M. E. Morris, Mrs.
Eva Silliman, Mrs. S. Olds,
Mrs. A. Banks.
- Bridgeport*, Immanuel—Rev. H. A.
Chapman, Samuel Van Stone.
- Bridgeport*, Messiah—Rev. W. N.
Morton.
- Bristol*—Rev. John S. Lyon, Mr.
Roswell Atkins.
- Brooklyn*—Rev. E. Bennett, Mrs.
E. Bennett, Mr. T. D. Pond,
Mr. W. R. Wilts.
- Cheshire*—Mrs. Bojert, Mrs. E.
Goshom.
- Clinton*—Mrs. G. P. Watrous, Mrs.
Emily Hull, Mrs. E. R. Bacon,
Rev. R. Sherman, Mrs. R.
Sherman.
- Danbury*, Second—Rev. A. C. Hub-
bard, Mr. Jabez Amsbury, Mr.
and Mrs. G. U. Maynard.
- Danielsonville*—Rev. Geo. Guirey,
Mrs. G. Guirey, Dea. Israel G.
Tefft.
- Deep River*—Mr. J. P. Post.
- East Haddam*, Central—Rev. Jabez
Marshall, Mr. J. S. Brooks, Mr.
L. S. Stark.
- Essex*—Rev. W. T. Chipman, Dea.
and Mrs. B. A. Gladding, J. P.
Southworth, Miss Abbie Le
Place.
- Groton Heights*—Rev. William A.
Smith, Mrs. W. A. Smith, Dea.
Frederick Gallup, Mrs. F.
Gallup.
- Groton*, First—Rev. A. J. Chandler,
Rev. J. C. Lamb, Mr. William
D. Beckwith.
- Haddam*—Mr. S. S. Ventres.
- Hartford*, Asylum Ave.—Rev. G.
M. Stone, D.D., Mr. J. L. Deni-
son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F.
Gordon, Mrs. A. F. Wilcox,
Mrs. J. R. Reynolds.
- Hartford*, First Church—Rev. J. L.
James, D.D., Hon. J. L. Howard,
Mr. C. O. Spencer, Mr. R. P.
Chapman, Mr. L. C. Glazier,
Mr. J. G. Burnett, Mr. E. B.
Boynton, Rev. R. B. Fisher.
- Hartford*, Memorial Church—Rev.
and Mrs. H. M. Thompson,
Miss Myrtie Calhoun, Miss
Louise Burnham.
- Hartford*, South Church—Rev.
Frank Dixon, Mr. F. A. Carey,
Mr. F. W. Payne, Mr. James
Eadie, Mrs. W. C. Augur,
Mrs. W. F. Hilton.
- Hartford*, Swede—Rev. Nils Ek.
- Jewett City*—Rev. J. W. Payne,
Mr. C. E. Pryor.
- Lebanon*—Rev. R. E. Turner, Dea.
A. L. Babcock, Mr. N. C. Barker.

Mansfield—Mrs. M. A. Morey, Mrs. Mary Storrs.

Meriden, First—Rev. W. G. Fennell, Hon. and Mrs. S. J. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hall, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Perkins, Mr. Edward Miller, Sr., Miss Fannie L. Twiss, Miss Helen Benedict.

Meriden, Main Street—Rev. E. W. Husted, Rev. Samuel Thatcher, Miss Lena Whitmore.

Middletown—Rev. P. F. Jernegan, Mr. S. C. Stevens, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, Mrs. Francis Ely, Miss Hattie Lincoln, Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Morgan.

Montville—Rev. A. S. Stowell, Rev. D. D. Lyon, Miss Alice Hooper.

Mystic, Union—Rev. Archibald Wheaton, Dea. William H. Smith, Mrs. Phoebe Grinnell, Mr. Herbert W. Rathbun, Miss Susan Fish, Mrs. Simeon Fish.

New Britain, First—Rev. I. F. Stidham, Ph.D., Rev. Lyman Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Corbin, Mrs. G. L. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sloper.

New Britain, German—Rev. O. F. Pistor.

New Canaan—Mr. J. A. Weed.

New Haven, Calvary—Rev. and Mrs. S. Dryden Phelps, D. D., Rev. Dryden W. Phelps, Lit. D., Dea. Giles Potter, Mr. Elihu Larkins, Mr. George Baldwin, Mrs. Wilhelmina A. Beecher, Mrs. Elihu Larkins.

New Haven, First—Rev. and Mrs. John H. Mason, Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stetson, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Howell, Mrs. J. Matterson.

New Haven, German—Rev. F. W. C. Meyer.

New Haven, Grand Ave.—Rev. E. C. Sage, Dea. O. J. Hull, Dea. J. P. Morrow, Mrs. J. W. Hammond, Mrs. George Loveland, Mrs. William Sheffield, Mrs. Bennett.

New Haven, Hope—Rev. J. A. Elder, Hon. Francis Wayland, Miss Jennie Johnson.

New Haven, Swedish—Rev. John Westin.

New London, First—Rev. F. G. McKeever, Dea. James Newcomb, Dea. J. B. Miner, Dea. Joseph Starr, Mr. Henry Weaver, Mr. H. N. Crocker, Miss Lizzie Gorton.

New London, Huntington Street—Rev. J. R. Stubbett, Dea. Henry Dwyer, Mrs. J. R. Stubbett, Deodata Sanders, Carrie Davis.

New Milford—Rev. F. D. Luddington, Miss Eliza Roberts.

Niantic—Rev. and Mrs. J. Milner Morris, Capt. John W. Luce, Mrs. T. E. Le Count.

Noank—Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Martin, Dea. Roswell Sawyer, James Sistaire.

Norwalk, First—Rev. F. E. Robins, Mrs. A. J. Doane, Mrs. M. N. Silliman, Mrs. Sarah Lynes, Mrs. S. A. Smith.

Norwich, Central—Rev. J. D. Herr,
D. D., Mrs. J. D. Herr, Mr. J.
P. Collins, Mr. L. W. Carroll,
Mr. Edward S. Pervis, Mr. G.
A. Smith, Mr. Lucius Brown,
Mrs. W. E. Hiscox.

Norwich, First—Rev. A. S.
Brown, Mrs. A. S. Brown,
Dea. W. R. Cowan, Dea.
Charles Peale, Dea. E. H.
Gardner, Mr. J. W. Mackensie.

Norwich, Mt. Calvary—Rev. N. G.
Mariott, Mr. P. T. Young, Mr.
R. L. Powers.

North Lyme—Rev. and Mrs. J. G.
Ward, Mr. William M. Sisson,
Mr. M. J. Stark, Mrs. F. S.
Fosdick.

North Stonington, First—Rev. H.
L. Harrington, Mrs. D. F.
Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Rob-
ert Palmer.

North Stonington, Third—Mr. W.
H. Hillard.

Old Lyme—Rev. J. C. Gavin, Mr.
Sydney V. Smith, Mrs. Edwin
Howard.

Packersville—Rev. A. A. Robinson,
Mr. J. L. Chapman, Dea. Cal-
vin York.

Plainfield, Union—Rev. S. W. Del-
zell, Dea. P. M. Peckham, Rev.
J. P. Brown.

Plainville—Miss Jessie Goodrich,
Miss Loie Beardsley, Miss
Grace Smith.

Poquonnock Bridge—Rev. N. T.
Allen, Mr. Cyrus Gray, Mr.
Benjamin Gardner.

Preston—Rev. J. S. Cranston.

Putnam, Calvary—Rev. F. G. W.
Fowlke.

Putnam, First—Rev. and Mrs. J.
W. Ashworth, Dea. and Mrs.
J. W. Manning, Mrs. J. B.
Kent, Dea. F. A. Hopkins,
Dea. Charles Arnold, Mr.
David E. Clarke.

Rainbow—Hon. and Mrs. Hodge.

Rockville—Rev. E. W. Potter, Dea.
W. H. Herskell, Mrs. Charles
Charter.

Salem—Rev. T. J. Siegfried, Dea.
I. Stoddard.

Saybrook, First—Rev. W. T. Rice.

Shelton—Rev. Arthur W. Smith.

Southington—Rev. J. C. Breaker,
Mr. Joshua Bill, Mr. William
E. Nichols.

South Windsor—Rev. Harvey
Linsley, Miss Kate Parmelee.

Stamford—Rev. C. L. Rhoades,
Dea. C. G. Powelson.

Sterling—Rev. C. H. Hickok, Dea.
Joseph Jones, Mr. Albert
Stanton.

Stonington, First—Rev. Henry
Clarke, Mr. H. A. Hull, Mr.
C. H. Briggs, Mrs. C. H.
Briggs.

Suffield, First—Rev. L. B. Curtis.

Suffield, Second—Rev. G. F.
Genung, Rev. Walter Scott,
Mr. D. D. Bennett.

Thompson, Central—Mr. Hiram
Angy, Mr. H. Tracy.

Voluntown—Rev. and Mrs. E. Dew-
hurst, Dea. E. C. Kegwin, Miss
Julia A. Fish.

Wallingford—Mr. and Mrs. C. H.
Brown, Mr. and Mrs. F. H.
Smith, Mr. C. R. Tiffany.

Waterbury, First—Dea. A. J. Ship-
ley, Dea. J. Littlejohn, Mrs.
A. J. Shipley, Mrs. S. L.
Jacques, Mrs. E. W. Smith,
Waterford, First—Rev. and Mrs.
H. M. Wolf, Jr., Mr. J. W.
Maxwell, Mr. R. W. Chap-
man, Mrs. Isaac Garder, Miss
Annie L. Page.
Waterford, Second—Rev. and Mrs.
J. C. Hyde, Miss Nellie
Rogers, Mrs. Julia Starr.

Wethersfield—Mrs. Cowdray, Mrs.
Morton, Miss Ryder, Mr. H. I.
Lankton.

Willimantic—Rev. J. B. Lemon,
Dr. F. Rogers, Mr. George
Stiles.

Willington—Rev. C. H. Brown,
Mrs. Esther Dimock, Miss
Lillian Scott.

Winsted—Rev. A. W. Clark, Mrs.
C. N. Deming.

Churches, 82. Delegates, 298.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN ASHFORD ASSOCIATION.	When Organized, . .	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase, Decrease, Loss, Gain.										Present Condition.		Sunday Sch ^y		Value of Church Property free of debt.....	
				Baptism.....	Letter.....	Experience.....	Restoration.....	Erasure.....	Exclusion.....	Death.....	Loss.....	Total Enroll'd	Men.....	Res. M ^{rs}	Total Enrolled.	Average Attendance	Added to Ch'eh. Average		
Andover.....	1826	J. B. Robinson.	'82 Edgar D. White.										48	6	24	48	20	\$ 42,300	
Brooklyn.....	1828	Edwin Bennett.	'88 Theodore D. Pond.										148	148	98	148	105	42,000	
Danielsonville.....	1874	George Gahey	'93 N. Hibbard.....	23	12	1							157	25	97	204	105	32,000	
Eastford.....	1794	T. P. Briggs.	'94 A. T. Allen.....	1	1	8	5						71	17	24	40	22	43,600	
East Killingly.....	1775		E. A. Hill.....										106					3,000	
Mansfield.....	1809	Leonard Smith.	'93 L. J. Storrs.....	2	2		1	3					97	26	50	70	32	44,100	
Putnam, First.....	1847	J. W. Ashworth.	'91 N. W. Kennedy.....	8	10	1	3						424	87	194	254	169	43,000	
Putnam, Second.....	1889												10					1,500	
Putnam, Calvary.....	1843	R. L. Batchelder	'06 Wm. J. Thresher.....	5									50	10	25	60	38	42,700	
Putnam, Central.....	1846	S. A. Ives.	'88 Stephen Ballard.....	2	3								105	36	53	92	56	47,000	
Thompson, East.....	1846		Allen T. Bixby.....										47	12	16	46	21	43,000	
Tolland.....													*					3,000	
Warrenville.....	1848	George C. Chappell.	'94 J. B. Rickard.....	1									68	34	31	61	31	3,000	
Westford.....	1884	George C. Chappell.	'94 A. G. Barlow.....										46	16	30	30		2,000	
Williamantic.....	1828	J. Bunyan Lemon.	'91 W. N. Porter.....	5	4	13	20						498	12	293	411	162	40,200	
Wilmington.....	1828	Charles H. Brown.	'90 Albert Sharp.....	1	4	1	5						80	16	39	415	62	43,500	
Woodstock, First.....	1766	George L. Putnam.	'91 Jude P. Gage.....										58	13	24	46	29	18,500	
Woodstock, Second.....	1772	George L. Putnam.	'91 Asdnf Williams.....										51	12	21	40	26	4,000	
Totals, Churches, 18		Pastors, 12		71	89	3	35	30	1	41			2603	414	895	1,642	853	\$ 326,100	
Last year.....	18	12		37	39	3	2	48	14	3	32	4	2145					1,622	\$ 319,400

*Estimated. †Including Parsonage. ‡Including South Willington.

FINANCIAL TABLES.

CHURCHES IN ASHFORD ASSOCIATION.		HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.												Money Raised for all Purposes.....	
		Church.....	School.....	State Missions.....	Home Missions.....	Foreign Missions...	Woman's Home Missions.....	Woman's Foreign Missions.....	Young People's Societies.....	Bible and Publication Society.....	Ministerial Education.....	Minister's and Widow's Fund and Home.....	Support of Church Poor.....	Other Objects.....	Sunday School Benevolence.....	Total Benevolence..	
Andover.....	\$ 427 00	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 2 00	\$ 3 25	\$ 2 00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 2 00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 8 53	\$ 35 75	\$ 402 75
Brooklyn.....	754 00	17 50	5 00	9 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	16 00	6 50	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	58 81	840 37
Danversville.....	1,072 77	100 00	48 85	50 00	50 00	54 34	41 00	22 55	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	202 49	2,005 26
Eastford.....	223 00	11 63	20 00	8 25	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	51 25	285 88
East Killingly.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mansfield.....	502 50	18 61	32 00	4 50	2 00	12 50	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 05	75 43	686 03
Putnam, First.....	2,442 85	117 46	143 23	85 00	153 57	87 50	44 00	123 69	22 68	69 81	123 43	.....	.....	.....	1,505 17	43 91	4,064 98
Putnam, Calvary.....	87 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	131 06
Stafford.....	281 50	30 00	7 00	6 50	17 00	13 75	18 25	15 00	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	83 28	371 06
Thompson, Central.....	704 00	42 05	13 50	18 60	20 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	04 37	810 42
Thompson, East.....	305 25	9 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	314 87
Westford.....	258 91	8 72	5 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 17	262 80
Willimantic.....	177 00	7 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	184 20
Willington.....	2,006 88	107 25	91 75	08 43	90 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	38 00	.....	.....	5 88	180 82	217 41	.....	752 24	3,586 32
Woodstock, First.....	606 72	54 08	5 25	.....	9 00	13 00	15 00	.....	12 50	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 75	723 55
Woodstock, Second.....	203 00	9 00	.....	.....	9 50	8 00	.....	.....	3 19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 60	280 60
.....	226 72	6 92	.....	.....	10 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 00	277 24
Total.....	\$11,728 77	\$569 50	\$877 85	\$200 18	\$397 09	\$321 50	\$212 75	\$112 55	\$188 39	\$142 93	\$75 64	\$218 25	\$794 15	\$388 58	\$3,083 77	\$15,412 16	
Last Year.....	\$12,506 11	\$701 08	\$250 47	\$203 89	\$388 97	\$470 57	\$359 00	\$113 57	36 09	\$70 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$305 61	\$16,157 80

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN FAIRFIELD ASSOCIATION.	When Organized,...	Pastors and Date of Settlement	Clerks.	Increase.							Loss Gala.	Present Condition.	Sunday Sch'ls.			Value of Church Property free of debt.....
				Baptism	Letter.	Experience	Restoration	Erasure	Exclusion	Death			Total Enrol'd.	Average Attendance..	Added to Ch'ch.	
Bridgeport, First, German.....	1837	G. W. Nicholson,	'94 James A. Wilson.....	14,26	1					1	40		253	130	10	\$ 75,000
" " Immanuel.....	1888	John H. Myers,	'94 Herman Liefeld.....	4	2	8							38	30	15	18,700
" " Fresh.....	1889	H. A. Chapman,	'94 F. E. Hemingway.....	6	3	2	5	2	25				77	21	44	4,266
" " Sweden.....	1888	W. N. Morton,	'88 B. R. Chandler.....	6	3	1	1	2	6				79	23	47	70
" " Wash. Ave.....	1874	W. J. Johnson,	'94 S. Swanson.....	37	9	2	16	3	2	20			108	69	102	50
Danbury, First.....	1874	H. W. Pinkham,	'94 Frank J. Finney.....	6	2	12	9	1	7				298	77	135	959
" " Second.....	1790	A. C. Hubbard, D. D.,	'88 Matthew Barber.....	23	3	5	9	2	13				520	147	284	1,000
Easton.....	1821	W. M. Weeks,	'94 E. S. Gillette.....	4		2	2	2	2				47	22	43	180,500
New Canaan.....	1873	T. L. Dibble,	'92 John A. Weed.....	10	1	1			11				49	11	23	1,000
New Milford.....	1814	F. D. Laddington,	'98 S. Couch.....	10	1	1			11				56	14	37	100
Norwalk, First.....	1837	F. E. Robbins,	'91 M. W. Silliman.....	8	2	8	17	3	18				341	94	190	60
" " Calvary.....	1891	James A. Stumlar,	'94 C. D. Floyd.....	8	5				5				33	10	22	15,000
Roxbury.....	1863		A. F. Hathaway.....	3	3	2	2	2	2				60			14,200
South Norwalk.....	1850	E. O. Sherwood,	'83 H. M. Provitt.....	9	5	6			6				287	74	213	131
Stamford.....	1873	Charles L. Rhodes,	'92 E. S. Waterbury.....	30	20	7	9	1	3	44			378	187	81	190,000
" " Union.....	1893		'93 W. Stokes.....	3	2	3			3				57			40
Stepney.....	1848	H. W. Jones,	'93 Barr B. Wilson.....	3	2	3			3				103	28	51	70
Stratfield.....	1751	H. W. Wilson,	'93 Barr B. Williams.....	9	1	1	1	1	3	1	10		103	31	3	19,000
Stratfield.....	1878	Moses Taylor,	'94 Edward Williams.....	9	1	1	1	1	3	1	10		40	13	6	300
White Hills.....	1888		George W. Drew.....						2				37	37	20	2,000
Totals.....		Churches.....	Pastors.....	171	73	92	29	98	48	9	121		3,221			\$ 829,460
Last Year.....		Churches.....	Pastors.....	18	12	69	18	298	34	739	30		3,109			\$ 830,870

†Including Parsonage.

FINANCIAL TABLES.

CHURCHES IN FAIRFIELD ASSOCIATION.	HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.										Money Raised for all Purposes.....			
	Church.....	School.....	State Missions....	Home Missions...	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.....	Woman's Foreign Missions.....	Young People's Society.....	Bible and Publica- tion Society....	Ministerial Educa- tion.....	Ministers' & Wid- ows' Fund and Home.....	Support of Church Poor.....	Other Objects....	Sunday School Benevolence....	Tot'l Benevolence.	
Bridget's Ist.	\$14,499 38\$	479 10\$	79 14\$	76 64\$	35 00\$	\$123 70\$	\$89 17\$	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$60 00\$	\$241 27\$	\$.....	\$ 9 20\$	\$714 12\$	15,022 60
" German...	367 68	97 91	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	.....	.....	70 00	236 50
" Immanuel...	1,233 40	132 70	4 90	9 13	8 63	14 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00	.....	.....	76 00	1,392 76
" Methodist...	11,239 91	45 44	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	1,397 85
" St. Michael...	1,233 91	25 44	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138 38	.....	.....	197 36	1,011 15
" Swedish...	1,788 73	95 00	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 21	.....	.....	241 77	3,069 47
" Wash. Ave.	42,077 76	150 00	11 73	29 50	29 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 21	.....	.....	241 77	3,069 47
Danbury, Ist.	6,775 00	541 56	63 70	68 91	55 80	40 75	42 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	120 00	.....	.....	521 53	7,338 12
2nd.	666 00	5 88	.....	.....	.....	12 50	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	666 88
Easton...	479 48	39 97	3 50	2 00	.....	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 50	581 96
New Canaan...	751 94	34 78	22 50	.....	.....	22 16	31 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	87 26	872 48
New Milford...	1,439 96	80 00	27 88	32 00	.....	100 00	55 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 59	.....	.....	463 54	2,435 50
Norwalk, Ist.	632 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	3 00	635 00
" Calvary.	800 00	31 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	831 35
Rowayton...	4,560 00	132 00	30 67	42 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. Norwalk...	4,560 00	132 00	30 67	42 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stamford, Ist.	4,817 45	146 25	177 66	177 66	104 86	23 70	371 55	129 59	.....	.....	.....	498 07	.....	.....	2,312 71	7,205 33
" Union...	800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stapley...	803 50	17 50	5 15	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stratford...	827 00	46 15	10 00	10 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stratford...	183 50	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stratford...	452 00	8 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Hills...	452 00	8 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	\$46,047 86	\$1,863 77	\$430 42	\$462 74	\$ 250 27	\$450 81	\$635 22	\$216 59	\$ 29 80	\$72 00	\$129 02	\$1,245 67	\$1,056 41	\$103 27	\$5,330 12	\$32,645 75
	\$32,826 65	\$1,504 01	\$393 39	\$467 75	\$1,428 07	\$404 24	\$387 25	\$7 21	\$114 06	\$77 50	\$112 78	\$ 918 65	\$ 701 27	\$203 34	\$5,770 45	\$40,131 11
																including \$518.00 not.

including \$518 on lot.

including payment on debt or requests.

including \$11,500 on building.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN HARTFORD ASSOCIATION.	When Org'niz'd	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.			Decrease.			Loss Gain.	Present Condition.		Sunday Sch'l.		Value of Church Property Free of Debt.	
				Baptism	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.		Death.	Total En- rolled...	Res. M'rs.	Total En- rolled		Average At- tendance...
Bantam	1850	E. B. Elmer.	'84 Edgar F. Wedge.		1	1	1	1	1	1	76	16	38	79	\$2,500	
Bloomfield	1786	T. G. Wright.	'92 James Clarke.	4	8	3	4	5	5	5	44	14	21	42	\$6,000	
Bristol	1791	John S. Lyon.	'94 Roswell Atkins.	2	11	1	8	6	6	6	348	82	195	181	\$25,000	
Colebrook, North.	1793	G. W. Remington.	Miss Gerie Hotchkiss.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	8	15	30	\$2,500	
Cornwall, East.	1848	G. W. Remington.	'87 John A. Moore.		1	1	1	1	1	1	50	8	15	30	2,000	
Hallow.	1787	E. B. Elmer.	'87 H. G. Dean.		1	1	1	1	1	1	91	15	20	30	1,000	
Hartford, Asylum Ave.	1843	E. B. Elmer.	'80 Lewis Chipman.	7	22	1	8	1	24	6	37	5	16	20	\$1,000	
" " First.	1872	Geo. M. Stone, D. D.	'80 Lewis H. Bartlett.	18	16	5	9	12	18	18	642	200	442	503	\$7,000	
" " Memorial.	1790	J. S. James, D. D.	'88 C. G. Maynard.	9	1	1	2	1	2	15	221	73	127	223	\$10,000	
" " South.	1854	Frank Dixon.	'93 J. J. Shepard.	11	10	10	2	15	6	6	574	170	404	325	\$5,000	
" " Swede.	1888	Nils Ek.	'93 John Erikson.	4	10	1	1	1	1	1	48	20	28	74	85,000	
" " Union.	1892	G. L. Stith.	'94 (Reported Last Year)	8	4	2	1	2	120	130	75	45	50	40	4,780	
" " South.	1880	O. F. Slater.	'91 E. R. Jones.	10	12	2	12	4	8	467	515	385	10	\$6,000		
New Britain, German.	1863	O. F. Pistor.	'91 A. F. Eichstaedt.	5	2	1	3	3	3	82	31	50	83	68	5,500	
" " Sweden.	1892	John P. Forsell.	'91 Edward Peterson.	15	2	1	7	2	10	7	36	41	35	35	6,500	
New Hartford, Plainville.	1859	H. E. Chapman.	'93 James E. Stanley	6	2	2	6	1	5	60	21	30	40	45	\$4,500	
" " Rainbow.	1852	F. F. Braman.	'92 A. H. Condit.	4	3	2	1	8	3	3	63	18	30	73	\$7,800	
Rockville.	1875	E. W. Potter.	'87 George J. Merwin.	19	2	1	1	1	1	97	25	45	127	71	\$5,500	
South Windsor.	1820	Harvey Linale.	'90 Henry Holman.	12	1	1	1	2	10	55	19	23	65	36	\$6,111	
Surfield, First.	1769	L. B. Curtis.	'88 F. E. Hastings.	1	1	1	1	1	1	117	34	55	40	22	\$5,500	
" " Second.	1805	G. F. Genuing.	'90 N. M. King.	2	3	2	5	6	15	448	225	106	22	\$98,500		
Tariffville.	1893	G. W. Harvey.	'93 J. A. Allison.	1	1	1	1	1	1	58	14	27	50	\$6,420		
West Hartford.	1857	John Cameron.	'93 G. H. Lankton.	4	4	1	1	1	1	58	10	23	130	\$8,000		
Wethersfield.	1782	John Cameron.	'93 G. H. Lankton.	20	16	1	1	1	37	142	96	94	208	6,500		
Winsted.	1890	A. W. Clark.	'91 M. N. Griswold.													
Totals.	Churches, 28	Pastors, 24		176	130	21	976	14	530	272	4,508			3,353,194	\$40,800	
Last Year.	Churches, 28	Pastors, 20		108	108	11	685	105	42	71	10,429			3,399,190	\$72,380	

including Parsonage.

FINANCIAL TABLES.

CHURCHES IN HARTFORD ASSOCIATION.	HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.											Money Raised for All Purposes.....	
	Church.....	School.....	State Missions..	Home Missions.	Foreign Mis'ns.	Woman's Home Missions.....	Woman's For- eign Missions.	Young People's Societies.....	Bible and Pub- lication Soc'y.	Ministerial Edu- cation.....	Ministers' and Widows' F'nd and Home.....	Support of Ch'h Poor.....	Other Objects..	S. School Be- nevolence.....	Total Benevo- lence.....
Bantam.....	\$ 219 96\$	25 46\$	5 00\$	9 75\$	34 35\$	50 00\$	88 00\$	20 00\$	10 35\$	1 00\$	2 00\$	4 00\$	.....	9 00\$	48 00\$
Bloomfield.....	408 00	17 80	7 70	77 00	50 00	60 00	58 00	20 00	1 50	.....	.....	36 50	.....	27 00	408 50
Bristol.....	2,792 00	55 41	25 00	25 00	50 00	3 50	2 50	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,146 51
Colebrook, N. H.....	143 00	8 50	2 00	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	146 51
Concord, N. H.....	143 00	8 50	2 00	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 51
Conwall, East.....	117 50	26 40	7 00	7 00	.....	5 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 50	201 10
" " Hollow.....	110 00	8 50	5 25	5 25	.....	5 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	215 00
Hrd. Asyl'm.....	4,119 65	66 62	166 40	130 22	154 44	51 25	63 00	87 00	54 00	3 00	.....	32 00	50 00	25 00	4,869 58
Hartford, Ist.....	6,673 88	516 79	110 58	219 70	111 22	109 54	200 00	116 00	110 00	10 00	10 00	511 44	813 13	108 70	9,010 48
" " Memorial.....	2,261 72	150 00	36 00	12 00	15 00	24 75	7 32	.....	112 00	3 00	.....	35 79	20 00	9 27	2,856 89
" " South.....	6,006 57	246 02	155 00	80 00	87 00	50 00	48 54	.....	110 00	10 00	.....	176 03	59 16	30 74	7,059 06
" " Swede.....	583 69	25 75	10 00	15 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 20	32 78	.....	723 42
" " Union.....	1,500 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,550 00
Shiloh.....	4,202 00	218 24	100 00	58 51	18 00	48 05	54 50	63 33	.....	.....	6 00	10 00	.....	.....	4,820 00
N. Britain, Ist.....	4,200 00	218 24	100 00	58 51	18 00	48 05	54 50	63 33	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	4,820 00
" " Second.....	1,119 45	49 62	35 00	35 00	23 40	.....	.....	.....	2 15	22 00	6 00	31 00	4 37	.....	1,231 97
" " Sweden.....	1,156 61	21 19	7 50	23 77	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,185 08
New Hartford.....	551 50	44 00	12 00	4 70	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	637 20
Plainville.....	2,512 00	60 88	11 44	35 00	23 75	10 00	25 00	.....	26 50	5 00	.....	.....	18 51	75 00	2,601 58
Rainbow.....	200 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225 00
Rockville.....	859 95	42 90	3 80	5 70	4 00	10 00	9 00	14 36	2 35	4 54	2 00	.....	2 40	1 00	962 00
S. W. Windsor.....	722 00	18 00	17 00	25 00	29 00	6 80	12 00	19 75	19 75	.....	.....	.....	26 00	.....	875 55
Southfield, Ist.....	851 50	62 00	.....	14 34	12 34	9 75	9 75	3 75	.....	.....	.....	246 75	38 88	56 00	1,091 13
" " 2d.....	2,200 00	67 17	188 24	.....	107 83	146 70	150 61	63 00	.....	26 74	26 51	.....	.....	.....	3,517 51
Tariffville.....	600 00	50 00	6 00	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	655 00
W. Hartford.....	531 00	15 58	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	546 58
Windsorfield.....	1,076 50	101 87	24 62	6 38	18 71	20 41	10 00	.....	6 12	40 37	4 03	4 25	83 55	5 00	1,119 18
Totals.....	\$48,788 28	\$1,976 61	\$835 36	\$716 60	\$979 00	\$567 57	\$595 00	\$468 94	\$187 03	\$573 55	\$572 54	\$1,246 26	\$1,102 98	\$724 82	\$54,005 60
Last Year ..	\$48,990 10	\$2,516 84	\$704 98	\$304 73	\$2,421 20	\$807 72	\$1,145 60	\$777 52	\$229 62	\$362 95	\$77 47	\$98 00	\$3,053 39	\$581 71	\$1,844 77

*No report; estimated.

*Including repairs.

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STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN NEW HAVEN ASSOCIATION.	When Org'niz'd	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.	Decrease.	Loss.	Present Condition.	Sunday Sch'l	Value of Church Property Free of Debt			
				Baptism . . .	Restoration, Experience, Letter	Death Exclusion . . . Erasure . . . Letter	T'l Enr'd Men.. . . Wom. . . .	Total Enrolled	Ad. to Ch'ch Attendance.			
Ansonia, First.....	1878	Wm. D. McKinney,	'84 W. H. Fielding.....	25	2	1	835	116	332	216	18	\$ 23,000
Ansonia, Second.....	1880	Edward Johnson,	'90 G. W. Austin.....	6	1	8	129	73	129	80	5	6,000
Bristol, First.....	1888	P. G. Williams,	'93 H. Edgar Williams.....	8	4	1	189	53	182	90	8	41,500
Chester.....	1882	G. M. Evans,	'93 A. H. Stevens.....	10	8	6	128	82	96	48	17	46,500
Clinton.....	1797	R. H. Sherman,	'98 A. Boardman.....	17	8	1	100	17	84	94	17	46,750
Cromwell.....	1823	J. B. Connell,	'90 Virgil D. Norton.....	10	2	1	207	60	110	205	118	412,750
Deep River.....	1890	Geo. D. Reid,	'92 Louis P. Parker.....	22	7	1	318	60	165	80	21	49,500
Essex.....	1811	W. P. Chipman, D. D.,	S. S. Ventres.....	2	1	4	47	10	23	27	14	4,000
Haddam.....	1822	William G. Fennell,	'92 F. L. Huntington.....	15	17	2	518	170	278	391	423	10 430,000
Mertden, First.....	1873	John Gantner.....	John Gantner.....	5	5	1	99	.....	90	67	.....	47,700
Mertden, German.....	1861	Edwin W. Huston,	'91 R. M. Breckonridge.....	5	10	1	373	15	194	300	189	5 750,000
Mertden, Main Street.....	1861	Edwin W. Huston,	'93 G. B. Peterson.....	11	10	1	474	15	181	321	153	76,500
Middleton, First.....	1795	P. F. Shuman,	'87 J. L. Larkins.....	12	10	1	420	121	181	247	153	42,500
Montross.....	1811	A. H. Shuman,	'85 J. L. Larkins.....	1	1	2	70	15	16	112	75	44,500
New Haven, Calvary.....	1871	Edwin M. Potest,	'88 Leslie Moulthrop.....	45	28	1	20	3	6	42	287	225 322 206 25 170,000
New Haven, First.....	1846	John H. Mason,	'89 S. C. Whitney.....	23	13	3	70	12	13	70	223 306 188 15 60,000	
New Haven, German.....	1863	F. W. C. Meyer,	'88 J. F. Ingold.....	12	2	1	171	60	95	245	172	2 418,000
New Haven, Grand Avenue.....	1871	E. C. Sagg, Ph. D.,	'89 C. A. Wyman.....	23	10	1	312	88	177	416	265	16 18,000
New Haven, Hope.....	1890	Joseph A. Elder,	'93 Geo. H. Smith.....	8	5	2	120	88	72	292	150	1 15,000
New Haven, Howard Ave.....	1890	George E. Nicols,	'94 J. W. Walter, Jr.,	8	11	2	135	.....	14	135	.....	6,000
New Haven, Immanuel.....	1836	A. C. Powell,	Thomas Thompson.....	41	2	17	192	.....	1	192	.....	14,000
New Haven, Swede.....	1823	A. C. Westin,	Jno. A. Lundin.....	2	8	1	53	14	25	55	33	.....
Norwalk.....	1722	W. T. Ogden,	'29 J. Bond.....	11	1	1	140	23	169	169	30	9 43,000
Shelton.....	1727	W. T. Ogden,	'29 J. Bond.....	11	1	1	140	23	169	169	30	9 43,000
Shelton, Second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Tenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Eleventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twelfth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fourteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventeenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Eighteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Nineteenth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twentieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Twenty-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirtieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Thirty-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fortieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Forty-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fiftieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Fifty-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixtieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Sixty-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventieth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-first.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-second.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-third.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-fourth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-fifth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-sixth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-seventh.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-eighth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8	12	3	105	48	47	72	48	1 10,000
Shelton, Seventy-ninth.....	1882	Arth. W. Walker,	'26 G. K. Hull.....	8								

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CHURCHES IN NEW HAVEN ASSOCIATION.	HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.											MONEY RAISED FOR ALL PURPOSES.....	
	Church.....	School.....	State Missions.....	Home Missions...	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.....	Woman's Foreign Missions.....	Young People's Societies.....	Bible and Publica- tion Society....	Ministerial Educa- tion.....	Ministers' & Wid- ows' Fund and Home.....	Support of Church Poor.....	Other Objects....	Sunday School Be- nevolence.....	Total Benevolence
Ansonia, First..	3,893 10	905 01	30 00	83 45	55 00	18 77	23 16	20 00	10 80	5 00	3 70	94 50	120 00	7 00	391 88
Ansonia, Second	1,120 66	390 50		7 43											1,512 68
Branford, First	1,013 00	153 35	32 00	90 05	33 00		20 00	2 00	10 80	16 30				9 00	1,302 23
Chester.....	2,127 84	100 80	8 08			42 30	9 75	10 50						26 80	2,390 41
Clinton.....	849 12	18 30	12 00	16 00	15 25	15 00	23 00	5 00					71 54	30 80	1,048 45
Cromwell....	1,020 23	110 88	12 42	17 20	17 26	21 00	26 11	5 00						12 00	1,132 27
Deep River...	2,065 00	99 20	80 23	99 20	104 10	26 00	36 11						30 98	76 85	2,349 69
Essex.....	1,753 00	60 90	100 00	72 77	75 92	24 00	60 75		51 52		25 37	37 10		17 77	2,303 73
Haddam.....	600 00	3 00		15 00											489 83
Haddam, First..	4,013 30	8535 08	170 00	205 61	201 72	32 85	29 55	78 65	120 39	135 00		425 28	313 00	*182 30	6,730 68
Meriden, Germ'n	850 00	65 00		13 00	26 10		58 68		11 50			48 10	287 42	443 00	1,643 98
Meriden, Main St	8,550 00	217 00	40 00	13 00	26 10	107 18	18 00		7 00			18 25	115 69		9,411 00
Meriden, Swe'de	2,485 00	309 42	12 00	30 00	26 00		30 00					130 00			3,265 42
Montpelier....	712 82	61 25	10 00	15 00	20 00	25 00	26 44							62 24	813 30
N. H. Calvary...	11,010 00	552 71	822 62	993 55	640 45	641 00	106 16	74 69				525 68	2,312 12	62 24	15,888 88
N. Haven, First	5,210 00	580 05	830 20	534 90	588 75	888 75	223 50	50 00				745 82	680 25	48 55	5,890 06
N. H. Germ'an..	1,237 35	*123 75	23 00	20 00	85 25	60 00	38 03		5 21	60 00	5 00	33 50	48 73	311 57	1,427 04
N. H. Grand Av.	2,111 82	310 47	35 00	47 00	37 37	25 00	24 00	11 53	20 77	10 00		100 00	173 82	33 92	2,590 34
N. Haven, Hope	1,719 80	156 06	61 51	96 81	41 00	80 50	39 35	9 00				121 45	33 04	93 33	2,062 75
N. H. Howard Av	1,700 00		14 00	15 25	18 00		16 25					200 00	375 00	43 80	2,018 06
N. H. Inmanuel..	*1,073 31	43 50					3 00			10 00		58 00	17 00		1,788 00
N. Haven, Swe'de	970 72	30 00	5 00	10 00	8 25		3 00					15 25	16 00		1,051 35
Plainville, First	770 72	30 00	9 25	3 00	8 25			3 75						12 35	86 69
Saybrook.....	798 25	7 69	14 00	12 00	15 25	6 50			10 00					8 59	1,044 41
Shelton.....	933 17	52 82		3 50	40 20	4 32	13 12		3 47					72 84	818 78
Southington...	1,710 00	121 08	22 84	25 00	42 00	45 50	42 80	31 00				8 53	68 99		1,920 14
Wallingford....	3,050 70	93 01	42 03	114 81	56 70	46 29	62 85		5 00					42 07	3,157 71
Waterbury, Ist.	3,884 21	289 91	588 62	61 69	43 05	89 50	40 00		111 76			830 03	50 00		4,881 91
Waterbury, 2d.	715 32												20 00		940 44
Yalesville.....	829 51	93 88	3 61	13 21	50 71				2 41						988 41
Totals.....	804,068 34	84,021 70	32,255 94	32,790 95	32,212 18	81,532 46	81,311 35	82,933 35	3,820 77	3,554 00	16,825 57	89,510 3	16,815 03	1,582 42	\$90,395 26
Totals last year.	5,689 02	38,975 03	\$1,707 28	\$1,070 85	\$4,553 25	\$1,661 98	\$2,075 90	\$907 00	\$880 39	\$593 70	\$2,82 201 16	\$3,870 43	\$1,731 67	\$21 631 32	\$90,395 27

*Including interest or repairs.

*Including missions.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN NEW LONDON ASSOCIATION.	When Organized.....	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase, Decrease,				Present Condition.	Sunday Sch.		Value of Church Prop- erty Free of Debt.....	
				Baptism.....	Letter.....	Experience.....	Restoration.....		Letter.....	Exclusion.....		Death.....
Loss.				Gain.....	Total Enrolled....	Men.....	Women.....	Average Attendance	Added to Church....			
Borah.....	1821	William S. Morgan,	'94 Lewis Ford.....	1	1	2	1	1	52	36	\$2,000	
Chesterfield.....	1824		L. C. Brown.....	3	1	4	5	10	53	53	'1,500	
Colchester Brough.....	1826		'91 W. F. Bogue.....	5	2	2	1	6	173	87	\$6,400	
Fitchville.....	1827	R. E. Turner,	'94 J. E. Emmons.....	3	1	3	1	6	31	55	40	
Haddam, East, Central.....	1810	Jabez Marshall,	A. L. Cankins.....	8	1	4	4	8	83	19	40	
Lake's Pond.....	1842		'92 A. L. Babcock.....	5	4	1	4	8	69	8	\$1,000	
Lebanon.....	1836	R. E. Turner,	'93 L. E. Watrous.....	3	1	4	1	4	100	60	\$2,000	
Lyme, East.....	1769	A. J. Wilcox,	'87 C. S. Jewett.....	13	1	2	1	11	146	40	\$2,500	
" North.....	1810	J. G. Ward,	'80 F. J. Smith.....	10	1	2	1	1	140	36	4,200	
Montpelier Union.....	1823	Alfred L. Morrill,	'80 F. J. Smith.....	37	7	2	1	46	191	183	\$7,000	
Niantic.....	1823	Alfred L. Morrill,	'83 Charles H. Rogers.....	35	7	2	1	46	191	183	\$7,000	
New London, First.....	1804	F. G. McKeever,	'93 Geo. A. Smith.....	44	16	2	13	5	14	458	30	
New London, Second.....	1804	F. G. McKeever,	'91 Geo. A. Smith.....	44	16	2	13	5	14	458	30	
Norwich, Central.....	1849	J. R. Stubbart,	'86 J. F. Starkweather.....	51	4	1	5	1	890	258	\$20,000	
" First.....	1840	J. R. Stubbart,	'86 J. F. Starkweather.....	51	4	1	5	1	890	258	\$20,000	
" Third.....	1840	J. R. Stubbart,	'86 J. F. Starkweather.....	51	4	1	5	1	890	258	\$20,000	
" Mt. Calvary.....	1846		Thos. A. Perkins.....	22	4	9	5	1	85	133	8,000	
Salem.....	1871	N. A. Marriott,	'98 P. S. Young.....	1	1	1	1	4	35	98	8,000	
Scout Hill.....	1767	T. J. Stegried,	'98 A. L. Palmer.....	1	1	1	1	1	35	11	1,000	
Waterford, First.....	1780	T. J. Stegried,	'98 Chas. F. Brown.....	1	1	1	1	1	35	11	1,000	
" Second.....	1710	H. M. Wolf, Jr.,	'92 Chas. A. Gallup.....	16	3	1	1	1	49	100	\$14,000	
" Chester Hyde.....	1859		'95 C. I. Jerome.....	2	5	2	1	1	112	38	\$4,500	
Totals, Churches.....	22	Pastors.....	18	319	74	23	76	117	2,083	276	162,255	
Totals last year, Churches.....	22	Pastors.....	18	374	71	25	11	57	54	13	188,040	

^aincluding Parsonage.

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CHURCHES IN NEW LONDON ASSOCIATION.	HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.										Money Raised for All Purposes.....			
	Church.....	School.....	State Missions.....	Home Missions....	Foreign Missions...	Woman's Home Missions.....	Woman's Foreign Missions.....	Young People's So- cieties.....	Bible and Publica- tion Society.....	Ministerial Educat'n	Ministers' and Wid- ows' Fund and Home.....	Support of Church Poor.....	Other Objects.....	S. School Benevo- lence.....	Total Benevolence..	
Bozrah.....	\$ 532 00	\$ 12 35							\$ 6 50					\$ 3 55	10 05	\$ 554 40
Chesterfield.....	903 00	23 25													16 50	942 75
Chichester Borough	902 00	12 00													7 00	921 00
Huddam East Cent'l	727 00	21 10	\$ 2 50		\$ 8 05	2 35	5 00		3 75			\$ 5 00	1 00		11 15	739 31
Lake's Pond.....	151 00															151 00
Lebanon.....	703 00	14 00	6 00	\$ 8 15		2 00	4 82			\$ 5 00			41 20	30 00	97 17	815 07
Lynne, East.....	652 00	50 00														702 00
" North.....	553 00	22 00	26 00	25 00	31 00	14 00	15 00	3 00	15 05	10 00	\$ 10 00	6 00		33 16	127 21	773 24
" Old.....	652 00	13 80	20 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	12 00	3 00				6 00	4 00	54 55	730 35
Montville Union.....	\$3,652 00	61 80	10 25		7 45	29 00	5 00						10 52	18 80	92 65	3,806 51
Niantic.....	1,268 93	29 17		5 00	5 00	6 50	6 50		5 00					26 94	54 94	1,353 04
New London, First.....	3,439 30	219 04	93 69	93 89	113 54	79 78	73 16	232 21	75 25	45 42				86 44	1,504 26	5,254 60
" Huntington St.	2,096 00	171 00	21 00	30 00	63 99	47 00	44 11	138 50	11 47			40 76		15 00	480 49	2,747 49
Norwich Central.....	6,280 94	173 40	110 00	110 00	104 00	81 76	134 14		25 00	85 00	50 00	352 54	378 00	60 40	1,480 84	7,935 18
" First.....	2,104 50	121 35					15 00		5 00			41 20	30 00		91 20	2,316 55
" Third.....	1,061 50					47 80						40 00			87 80	1,069 30
" Mt. Calvary.....	887 75	50 00		3 00	2 00	3 75	3 75	1 50				30 00	45 00		80 00	993 75
Scott Hill.....	38 00														11 00	49 90
Waterford, First.....	1,607 37	136 00	48 55	10 00	47 73	64 25	15 75	26 05			35 00	35 77	30 75		239 91	2,180 41
" Second.....	782 50	27 60	5 00	12 00	15 00	9 25	4 25	1 25					8 00		116 75	936 89
Totals.....	\$38,996 70	\$1,144 78	\$250 02	\$299 04	\$809 39	\$305 84	\$318 40	\$414 54	\$150 05	\$104 42	\$103 84	\$892 58	\$ 948 43	\$201 88	\$ 4,818 50	\$34,960 20
Last Year.....	\$22,483 01	\$1,354 55	\$288 33	\$436 77	\$506 70	\$206 01	\$221 53	\$125 40	\$154 00	\$108 37	\$121 41	\$700 80	\$1562 15	\$334 07	\$ 4,032 72	\$28,831 05

*Including cost of chapel.

FINANCIAL TABLES.

CHURCHES IN STONINGTON UNION ASSOCIATION.	HOME EXPENSES.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.												Money Raised for all Purposes....	
	Church.....	School.....	State Missions	Mome Miss'ns	Foreign Mis- sions.....	Woman's Home Miss'ns	Woman's Foreign Miss.	Young People Societies....	Bible and Pub. Society.....	Ministerial Education..	Ministers and Wid's fund and Home..	Support of Church Poor	Other Objects	Sunday School Benevolence		Total Benevo- lence.....
Groton, First....	\$ 853 00	102 14	\$ 21 30	12 00	12 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	\$ 6 70	6 00	\$ 20 00	48 70	112 00	112 00	1,067 20	
Groton Heights.	1,303 00	106 10	12 00	15 13	17 20	10 48	22 53	53 00	6 70	6 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	1,067 20	
Jewett City....	1,044 00	103 56	49 06	20 71	20 87	172 00	20 24	40 00	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	1,067 20	
Ledyard.....	104 27					1 25	1 25					3 02			5 77	
Mystic Union.	2,501 03	200 05	107 10	30 34	135 50	70 00	63 11	5 30	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	3,243 56	
Noank.....	1,404 00	237 52	26 74	26 74	26 75	9 00	41 00	58 00	44 00	94 00	68 10	31 00	112 00	375 23	2,036 75	
N. Stonington, 1st.	577 42	15 20	7 37	7 00	5 00	5 05	1 50	2 25	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	601 42	
N. Stonington, 2d.	732 22	20 53	15 00	14 00	13 00	35 19	10 69	26 00	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	79 37	
N. Stonington, 3d.	640 00	40 00	15 00	14 00	13 00	35 19	10 69	26 00	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	704 75	
Packerville....	1,143 00	55 07	8 36	7 50	17 00	30 10	30 00	11 88	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	805 76	
Plainfield, Un'n	448 00	47 00	10 00	8 13	10 43	8 04	6 45	4 50	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	1,344 33	
Poquonoc B'ge	902 00	7 80	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	4 50	4 50	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	505 00	
Stonington City....	556 50	6 30	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	4 50	4 50	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	626 70	
Stonington, 1st.	1,477 00	140 40	125 12	2 00	108 52	96 32	61 00	4 50	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	2,034 67	
Stonington, 3d.	1,477 00	28 50	10 00	6 20	6 20	27 30	8 50	22 48	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	448 76	
Voluntown....	657 00	28 50	10 00	6 20	6 20	27 30	8 50	22 48	6 70	6 00	5 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	781 81	
TOTALS.....	\$ 15,025 84	1,148 57	\$ 460 71	\$ 289 81	\$ 378 15	\$ 483 20	\$ 284 64	\$ 206 34	\$ 71 06	\$ 102 30	\$ 11 00	\$ 108 41	\$ 224 77	\$ 112 00	\$ 32,722 55	\$ 18,987 00
Last Year.....	\$ 13,031 76	1,102 97	\$ 223 92	\$ 222 42	\$ 853 59	\$ 345 53	\$ 565 99	\$ 132 61	\$ 53 13	\$ 4 35	\$ 471 20	\$ 230 23	\$ 117 44	\$ 57 70	\$ 29,319 81	\$ 18,444 54
Ashtford.....	\$ 11,728 77	\$ 500 56	\$ 377 35	\$ 200 18	\$ 307 03	\$ 221 50	\$ 212 75	\$ 112 55	\$ 98 39	\$ 42 93	\$ 75 64	\$ 218 25	\$ 794 15	\$ 38 84	\$ 85,063 77	\$ 15,412 10
Fairfield.....	46,047 86	1,893 77	430 42	402 74	280 27	450 81	595 52	216 59	29 80	72 00	159 62	1,245 67	1,059 41	403 27	5,530 12	52,645 75
Hartford.....	43,788 38	1,976 61	835 36	716 60	979 00	587 57	595 06	438 94	187 03	573 55	72 54	1,346 26	1,102 98	731 82	8,240 71	51,005 60
New Haven....	64,498 24	4,021 70	2,255 94	2,790 93	2,312 18	1,532 46	1,311 46	1,311 35	230 77	554 00	48 16	2,317 83	1,582 42	1,382 42	20,369 21	80,320 25
New London....	28,996 79	1,344 78	350 02	269 04	390 20	395 84	338 40	414 54	150 05	164 42	103 84	862 58	948 42	291 88	4,808 50	34,900 07
Stonington....	15,025 84	1,148 57	460 71	289 81	378 15	483 20	284 64	206 34	71 06	102 30	11 00	108 41	224 77	112 00	2,722 56	16,887 00
TOTALS.....	\$210,575 86	\$10,784 99	\$4,710 30	\$4,819 32	\$4,065 08	\$5,671 47	\$3,417 80	\$4,720 31	\$917 10	\$1,509 40	\$50 80	\$3,210 00	\$9,332 80	\$3,152 97	\$44,840 51	\$205,824 77
Last year.....	\$198,322 23	\$11,400 92	\$3,780 37	\$4,005 84	\$10,662 75	\$4,131 89	\$5,330 75	\$1,663 42	\$945 46	\$1,074 05	\$807 01	\$5,443 70	\$9,162 77	\$3,175 06	\$6,500 22	\$204,603 76

SUMMARY BY ASSOCIATIONS.

HOME EXPENSES AND BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.		CONTRIBUTORS FOR		HOME EXPENSES AND BENEVOLENCE.	
ADDED BY	REMOVED BY				
Total Membership					
Death					
Exclusion					
Erase					
Letter					
Restoration					
Experience					
Letter					
Baptisms					
Number of Churches					
Pastors					
TOTALS BY YEARS.					
1877	747,206	70,322	50,640	\$142,345.97	\$1,158.60
1878	721,825	51,295	42,018	\$142,100.87	767.70
1879	719,589	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1880	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1881	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1882	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1883	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1884	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1885	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1886	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1887	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1888	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1889	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1890	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1891	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1892	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1893	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1894	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1895	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1896	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1897	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1898	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1899	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1900	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1901	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1902	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1903	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1904	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1905	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1906	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1907	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1908	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1909	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1910	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1911	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1912	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1913	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1914	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1915	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1916	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1917	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1918	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.02
1919	711,331	52,416	43,638	122,920.67	688.0

HISTORIC RECORD.

The Connecticut Baptist Convention, originally styled "The General Convention of the Baptist Churches of the State of Connecticut and Vicinity," was first organized at Hartford, in October, 1823. No annual sermon was provided for until the session of 1826.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	PREACHER.	TEXT.
1823	Hartford,	Asa Wilcox,	Augustus Bolles,		
1824	Middletown,	Asa Wilcox,	Albert Day,		
1825	Hartford,	Jonathan Goodwin,	Albert Day,		
1826	Wallingford,	Jonathan Goodwin,	Albert Day,	J. M. Peck,	
1827	Hartford,	Ashel Morse,	Albert Day,	Esek Brown,	
1828	Middletown,	Jonathan Goodwin,	Gurdon Robins,	B. M. Hill,	
1829	Hartford,	Rufus Babcock,	Gurdon Robins,	J. Cookson,	
1830	Mansfield,	Elisha Cushman,	Gurdon Robins,	P. Brockett,	Rom. 12: 14.
1831	Meriden,	Elisha Cushman,	Augustus Bolles,	G. Phippin,	Isa. 60: 1.
1832	Middletown,	Elisha Cushman,	Albert Day,	G. Robins,	Psalm 133: 1.
1833	Lebanon,	Elisha Cushman,	J. H. Linsley,	L. Kuecland,	2 Tim. 4: 5.
1834	Hartford,	Elisha Cushman,	A. Stanwood,	N. Widman,	Isa. 43: 21.
1835	Middletown,	J. H. Linsley,	S. S. Mallory,	R. H. Neale,	Isa. 53: 1.
1836	Norwich,	J. Cookson,	William Palmer,	S. H. Conc,	Luke 7: 38.
1837	Hartford,	J. Cookson,	R. Turnbull,	J. Cookson,	Isa. 61: 11.
1838	New London,	J. Cookson,	B. Cook,	B. Cook,	Jude 3.
1839	New Haven,	J. H. Linsley,	H. Wooster,	R. Turnbull,	2 Cor. 5: 14, 15.
1840	Essex,	George Reed,	William Reid,	F. Wightman,	Matt. 24: 14.
1841	Hartford,	D. Ives,	J. S. Eaton,	R. Babcock,	John 4: 35-38.
1842	Middletown,	D. Ives,	J. S. Eaton,	T. C. Teasdale,	
1843	Norwich,	D. Ives,	E. Cushman,	J. Dowling,	Eph. 3: 10.
1844	New Haven,	A. Parker,	E. Savage,	D. Ives,	2 Cor. 5: 14, 15.
1845	New London,	J. S. Swan,	E. Cushman,	A. Parker,	Nun. 14: 21.
1846	Hartford,	J. S. Swan,	A. G. Palmer,	J. S. Swan,	Isa. 62: 1.
1847	Deep River,	R. Turnbull,	E. Cushman,	J. S. Swan,	Nun. 14: 8.
1848	Suffield,	D. Ives,	E. Cushman,	E. Cushman,	1 Job. 5: 19.
1849	Bristol,	H. Miller,	E. Cushman,	E. T. Hiscock,	Heb. 6: 10.
1850	Danbury,	S. D. Phelps,	E. Cushman,	R. Turnbull,	Matt. 25: 40-45.
1851	Stonington,	E. T. Hiscock,	E. Cushman,	C. Willett,	Eph. 1: 3-6.
1852	New Haven,	J. S. Swan,	E. Cushman,	J. N. Murdock,	Luke 24: 24.
1853	Norwich,	William Reid,	E. Cushman,	S. D. Phelps,	Isa. 60: 3.
1854	Hartford,	J. N. Murdock,	E. Cushman,	H. Miller,	Matt. 10: 34-36.
1855	Meriden,	L. Lewis,	E. Cushman,	J. L. Hodge,	Gal. 2: 20.
1856	Middletown,	W. S. Clapp,	E. Cushman,	W. Reid,	Acts 1: 8.
1857	New London,	C. Willett,	E. Cushman,	A. D. Denison,	Phil. 2: 15.
1858	Southington,	F. Denison,	E. Cushman,	J. A. Bailey,	Psalm 130: 4.
1859	Hartford,	S. D. Phelps,	E. Cushman,	W. Fitz,	2 Cor. 4: 7.
1860	New Haven,	P. G. Wightman,	E. Cushman,	J. P. Brown,	2 Cor. 4: 4.
1861	Norwich,	D. Ives,	E. Cushman,	D. H. Miller,	Isa. 42: 4.
1862	Stamford,	J. P. Brown,	E. Cushman,	D. Ives,	1 Cor. 3: 6.
1863	Willimantic,	C. S. Weaver,	E. Cushman,	C. B. Crane,	1 Cor. 1: 39.
1864	Essex,	George Lovis,	E. Cushman,	G. M. Stone,	John 21: 4-6.
1865	Danbury,	S. Graves,	E. Cushman,	S. D. Phelps,	1 Tim. 3: 15.
1866	Hartford,	J. A. Bailey,	E. Cushman,	I. H. Gilbert,	2 Cor. 9: 22.
1867	Mystic River,	C. B. Crane,	E. Cushman,	R. Turnbull,	Rev. 5: 10.
1868	New Haven,	A. C. Bronson,	E. Cushman,	E. Lathrop,	1 Peter 2: 5.
1869	Deep River,	R. J. Adams,	E. Cushman,	B. S. Morse,	Mark 1: 40-42.
1870	New Britain,	A. P. Buch,	J. A. Bailey,	H. G. Mason,	Ecc. 9: 4.
1871	Norwalk,	James L. Howard,	J. A. Bailey,	G. L. Hunt,	1 Tim. 4: 1, 2.
1872	Waterbury,	James L. Howard,	J. A. Bailey,	A. G. Palmer,	Eph. 1: 18.
1873	New Haven,	James L. Howard,	R. Turnbull,	A. J. Sage,	1 Cor. 13: 3.
1874	Putnam,	James L. Howard,	R. Turnbull,	C. E. Smith,	Prov. 4: 23.
1875	Hartford,	James L. Howard,	R. Turnbull,	A. C. Hubbard,	
1876	Suffield,	James L. Howard,	R. Turnbull,	A. C. Hubbard,	Zech. 4: 6.
1877	Norwich,	A. G. Palmer,	R. Turnbull,	F. F. Emerson,	Neh. 9: 6, 17.
1878	Meriden,	E. Lathrop,	T. A. T. Hanna,	J. Davies,	Matt. 16: 3.
1879	Danbury,	A. J. Sage,	T. A. T. Hanna,	B. F. Bronson,	1 Cor. 11: 1.
1880	Bridgeport,	A. J. Sage,	T. A. T. Hanna,	J. M. Taylor,	1 Cor. 1: 21.
1881	New London,	A. J. Sage,	T. A. T. Hanna,	E. Stubbart,	Jonah 3: 3.
1882	Ansonia,	W. S. Bronson,	T. A. T. Hanna,	G. H. Miner,	1 Cor. 1: 24.
1883	New Haven,	W. S. Bronson,	T. A. T. Hanna,	M. H. Pogson,	Acts 5: 20.
1884	Norwich,	W. S. Bronson,	Elizur Cook,	O. C. Sargent,	Luke 2: 32.
1885	Hartford,	W. S. Bronson,	Elizur Cook,	J. V. Garton,	Matt. 6: 10.
1886	Waterbury,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	G. W. Holman,	Matt. 28: 20.
1887	New Britain,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	D. W. Lockhart,	John 8: 37.
1888	Hartford,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	D. H. Taylor,	1 John 4: 16.
1889	Putnam,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	P. G. Wightman,	Isa. 54: 2.
1890	Middletown,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	J. H. Gow,	Matt. 9: 10-13.
1891	New Haven,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	W. G. Pennell,	Matt. 17: 20.
1892	Willimantic,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	J. S. James,	Heb. 6: 5.
1893	Danbury,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	H. M. Thompson,	Jonah 4: 10.
1894	Norwich,	Francis Wayland,	P. S. Evans,	J. E. Lemon,	Jonah 3: 2.

ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY

ASHFORD—The seventieth anniversary of this Association was held with the church in Warrenville, Sept. 5th and 6th. Moderator, Mr. J. B. Bowen; Clerk, Rev. Leonard Smith. Rev. J. W. Ashworth preached the Annual Sermon. On Tuesday, Sept. 4, an examining council was held to consider the setting apart of Bro. G. C. Chappell, pastor-elect of the Church in Warrenville. The council approved of the Brother, and the ordination was held on Tuesday evening. Next meeting on first Wednesday in September, 1895.

FAIRFIELD—The Annual Meeting was held on Sept. 26th and 27th, with the church in Stepney. Moderator, Rev. A. C. Hubbard, D. D.; Clerk, Rev. R. O. Sherwood. The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. H. W. Pinkham. Place of next meeting to be appointed. Preacher, Rev. C. L. Rhoades; Alternate, Rev. F. D. Luddington. Time of meeting, fourth Sunday in September, 1895.

HARTFORD—The 105th Anniversary was held with the church in New Britain Sept. 19th and 20th. Moderator, Rev. G. F. Genung; Clerk, Rev. R. B. Fisher. The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Geo. M. Stone, D. D., from Rom. vi :3-4. The Missionary Sermon was preached by Rev. A. W. Clark. The next meeting to be held on the third Wednesday of September, in a place to be appointed. Preacher of Annual Sermon, Rev. H. E. Chapman; Alternate, Rev. Frank Dixon. Preacher of Missionary Sermon, Rev. F. B. Braman; Rev. J. S. Lyon, Alternate.

NEW HAVEN—The sixty-ninth Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 3rd and 4th, with the First Church, New Haven. Moderator, Rev. W. T. Elsdon; Clerk, Rev. J. A. Elder. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. Geo. D. Reid. The historical sketch of the Saybrook Church was read by Pastor Rice. The next meeting will be held on the first Wednesday in October, 1895, with the Shelton church. Preacher of Annual Sermon, Rev. F. W. C. Meyer.

NEW LONDON—The seventy-seventh anniversary of this Association was held with the First Waterford Church, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 12 and 13. Moderator, Rev. J. G. Ward; Clerk, Rev. A. S. Stowell. Rev. E. Cornet preached the Annual Sermon from Timothy, iii:16-17. Rev. R. E. Turner preached the Missionary Sermon from Isaiah, 55-10-11. The next Anniversary will be held on the second Wednesday in September, 1895, with the Huntington Street Church, New London. Preacher of Annual Sermon, Rev. F. G. McKeever; Alternate, Rev. F. H. Buffum. Preacher of Missionary Sermon, Rev. J. Milner Morris; Alternate, Rev. J. Chester Hyde.

STONINGTON UNION—The 123rd Anniversary was held with the Packerville church on June 20th and 21st. Moderator, Rev. Henry Clarke; Clerk, Rev. E. Dewhurst. The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Henry Clarke, from Phil 1-2. Sermons were also preached by Rev. A. Wheaton, from Acts 19-2, and Rev. S. W. Delzell, from John 17-17. The next meeting will be held on the third Wednesday in June, 1895, with the church in Groton Heights. Preacher of Annual Sermon, Rev. E. Dewhurst; Alternate, Rev. William C. Martin.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY OF
CONNECTICUT.

In common with many others of our missionary workers, we came to the end of our fiscal year with much anxiety in regard to the results. Connecticut is nothing if not a manufacturing State, and was among the first to feel the financial depression throughout the country.

We cannot escape a feeling of regret that there has been such a large diminution in our receipts, instead of the large increase we hoped at the beginning of the year. Yet I do not mean to say that the interest has in any way diminished. On the contrary, much new interest has been developed, and especially is this true among the young people, who deserve much commendation for their activity and earnestness.

In four of the Associations, meetings of great benefit were held during the winter, addressed by Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. McWhinnie and Miss Howard. Our work was presented as usual at the State Convention at Danbury, and at the gatherings of the six Associations, where, in some instances, union meetings in connection with our Foreign Mission Society were held. These were most delightful services, and a source of great pleasure to all.

At our Annual State Meeting, at the South Church, Hartford, we had the privilege of having with us Miss Clark and her Chinese assistant, of the Morning Star Mission in New York. As we listened to Rev. Fung Mow, we realized, as never before, the oneness of the mission work throughout the world.

We have a full corps of Directors, whose labors have been characterized by great faithfulness and self-denial.

Ashford Association, with Mrs. Preston as Director, sends a good re-

port. Twelve of its churches have contributed. It was not deemed practicable to hold a meeting in this Association, but, by correspondence on the part of the Director, and much earnest work in the individual Circles, most excellent results have been obtained. The Willing Worker envelopes are used in a number of the churches which are too weak to support Circles. The total amount of contributions is \$269.94, with barrels valued at \$280, sent from the churches at Wilimantic, Thompson and Willington.

In Stonington Union Association the Director has been much cheered, both by increased receipts and by the hearty co-operation on the part of her sisters in the Association. She writes: "I believe the interest awakened is no fleeting enthusiasm, but a real hearty attachment to the cause, which looks forward to future work along the same lines." The church in Sterling contributes for the first time in several years, and the Packerville church reports more dollars than resident membership among her women. Voluntown and Jewett City have continued in faithfulness and activity, and new interest has been awakened at Moosup and First Stonington. The Sabbath School of the latter church was the first to respond to the invitation to take a share in the work for Alaska. In February a very interesting and profitable meeting was held with the church at Moosup. Total amount of contributions, \$448.11; supplies sent, valued at \$546.50.

In New London Association, Mrs. Palmer reports much encouragement, most of the churches showing a decided gain, one new Circle at Salem sending both money and a barrel of clothing. Several churches, not yet contributing, have shown sufficient interest to send very kind and cheering replies to the letters of the Director. Many of the Directors can appreciate this fact as a source of encouragement. The winter meeting of this Association was held with the First Norwich Church, from which we are looking for good results. This Association has some strong pastors' wives, and the impress of their missionary zeal is shown in a marked degree. Total amount of contributions \$530.72; with value of supplies, \$291.70.

In Fairfield Association there are only a few strong churches, many of them being weak and struggling, and a number of them pastorless. Mrs. Silliman reports eleven contributing to our work, one new circle in the East Bridgeport Church, and active and efficient work done in most of the circles. A Basket Meeting was held with the church in South Norwalk in February. An Assistant Director has just been found in this Association whose work, we hope, will tell among the young people as such work has so decidedly elsewhere. Total amount

of contributions, \$351.23; value of supplies, \$111.30.

New Haven Association was without a Director most of the year, although Mrs. Foster, the retiring Director, kindly consented to take charge of the Associational meeting in the fall. In January Miss McWhinnie, our former Treasurer, was appointed to fill this vacancy. This appointment has brought great rejoicing to all our hearts. No public meeting has been held, but by correspondence, she has put herself in touch with the workers, and reports contributions from thirteen churches, one new Circle at Winthrop sending both money and supplies. Total amount, \$481.30; value of supplies, \$338.

In Hartford Association Mrs. Gordon has labored very faithfully throughout the entire year, and her labors have been fruitful of good results, although the amount raised is a little less than last year. Seventeen contributing churches out of the twenty-two are reported, one new Circle at Rockville, and new interest at Bloomfield and New Hartford. The larger churches in this Association are always zealous in Home Mission work, and this year has been no exception. The meeting at New Britain in February was one of great interest and profit. Total amount of contributions, \$844.86; value of supplies, \$684.

Total amount of contributions from the State, \$2,989.46, including \$985.22 from the Bands and Sabbath Schools; total value of supplies, \$2,251.50. Number of Echoes taken, 1,109.

OFFICERS:

MRS. HELEN R. DEWHURST, Voluntown, State Vice-President.
MISS MARY L. HOWARD, 67 Collins St., Hartford, Ass't Vice-President.

Associations.

Ashford,
Stonington Union,
New London,
Hartford,
New Haven,
Fairfield,

Directors.

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MRS. E. DEWHURST, Voluntown.
MRS. FRED C. PALMER, Montville.
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TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF
CONNECTICUT.

OCTOBER 17, 1894.

As we present our Annual Report to-day it is with gladness that we can announce the fact of a State Secretary found for Connecticut. During the past two or three years, while without a leader, the result of the work has been a silent, but powerful, witness to the wisdom of Mrs. Whiting, who planned and labored with so much of the love of the Master in her heart, and the efficiency of our devoted Associational Secretaries. We are ready to give allegiance to our new leader and go forward.

We would that this were the only change among our workers, but are reminded anew that while the work is the Lord's, the workers come and go. Miss Hancox, who for nearly ten years served faithfully as Secretary in Stonington Association, resigned in the spring. On account of ill health, Mrs. Cushman, one of our most valued Secretaries, was obliged to lay down her work in Hartford Association. Our thanks are due Mrs. G. M. Stone of Hartford, who has done what she could to fill the vacancy. But no one has been found in either of these Associations willing to take permanently the work as Secretary. "The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest."

Time will not permit us to give a detailed account of what has been accomplished in each Association, and of the loving, earnest, hard work done by our Associational Secretaries. They plan and toil through discouragements and encouragements; Centennial years and post-Centennial years; through months of financial depression and financial prosperity. Do all you can to help them; remember them

daily in your prayers, and answer immediately every letter you receive from them.

Our contributions for the year ending October 1st amount to \$4,490.90. This sum includes a legacy of \$515 left for our work by Miss Lavinia Greenfield of Middletown, who, being dead, yet testifieth and giveth. The Board in Boston are looking to Connecticut for \$6,000 the present year. Of this sum \$1,200 is expected from our Juniors. The Secretaries have already sent to each church their proportion of the sum total to be raised. A little individual effort will secure these amounts.

Miss Rolman, who was with us a year ago, returns to Japan this fall, and Miss Bond, so well known in our State, is home once more. As we think of these, our friends and representatives, together with Miss Watson, Miss Hopkins, Miss Church and Miss Schuff, we say:

“ We know not where the islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
We only know we cannot drift
Beyond his love and care”

Inspired by God's love, the workers at home and abroad will one day realize the great consummation when “ the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.”

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Junior Department of the W. B. F. M. Society of Connecticut

The Junior work is growing. While we cannot report a perfected organization, but four of our Associations having Junior Secretaries, much has been accomplished the past year. The motto of the Farther Lights: systematic asking, systematic getting, systematic giving, is taking hold of our young people. Sixteen societies reported the past year. Some of them enjoyed the trip around the world, and many more expect to spend this winter in Burmah. The children's boxes and letters have been distributed in the primary classes of the Sun-

day Schools, and also among the Bands. This year the Juniors expect to raise \$1,200 for Foreign Missions. Each church has been apportioned a certain sum. Where there are no Young Ladies' Missionary Circles or Bands, it is hoped that some young woman will collect the amount. We are endeavoring to fulfill God's plan in us.

"One small life in God's great plan;
How futile it seems as the ages roll,
Do what it may, or strive how it can
To alter the sweep of the infinite whole;
A single stitch in an endless web,
A drop in the ocean's flow and ebb;
But the pattern is rent when the stitch is lost,
Or marred where the tangled threads have crossed;
And each life that fails of the true intent,
Mars the perfect plan that its Master meant."

OFFICERS:

Mrs. ARCHIBALD WHEATON, Mystic, State Secretary.

Mrs. F. G. McKEEVER, New London, Junior State Secretary.

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Ashford,	Mrs. J. B. KENT, Putnam. Junior, Miss ALICE BARTLETT, Danielsonville.
Fairfield,	Mrs. J. B. HOYT, Stamford. Junior, Miss SUSIE PARADISE, Stamford.
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Stonington Union,

MINUTES

OF THE

CONNECTICUT BAPTIST BIBLE SCHOOL UNION.

CRESCENT BEACH, Conn., Aug. 30, 1894.

The annual meeting of the Union was held August 30 and 31, 1894, at the Tabernacle, Crescent Beach, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The praise service throughout the session was led by Brother Charles Edward Prior, the Musical Director, assisted by the orchestra of the Central Baptist Church, Norwich.

The Rev. John W. Ashworth of Putnam preached the opening sermon, from I Sam. xxi :9, "And David said, 'There is none like that; give it me.'"

The Rev. Philip S. Evans and J. D. Herr, D. D., discussed the topic, "Our Neighbors at Home."

The afternoon session was opened with a praise service.

Brethren Manning, Allen, Collins and Brainard were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

Brethren Bill and Glazier were appointed the auditing committee.

The President reported for the Committee to examine into the condition of the property at the Beach. The Trustees agree to buy twenty of the unsold lots, conditioned upon twenty more being taken at not less than \$100 each. All the lots to be sold at public auction. The proceeds of such sale would entirely extinguish the indebtedness of about \$4,000. The Trustees also agree that the Union shall elect their successors.

Brethren W. G. Fennell, C. A. Piddock, P. F. Jernegan, H. E. Chapman, P. S. Evans and J. D. Herr discussed the topic, "The Bible School and Other Schools."

Brethren Edwin M. Poteat, Geo. M. Morse, J. G. Ward

and R. H. Sherman discussed the subject, "The Holy Spirit in the Bible School."

"Echoes from the Toronto Convention" were given in the evening meeting by Brethren Howard A. Edgecomb, G. S. Dunbar and Edward B. Boynton.

The Rev. Walter Calley of Boston gave an address on "The Demands of the Hour."

The opening prayer meeting Friday morning, August 31st, was led by Brother Walter Calley.

Brethren E. Dewhurst and Judge Brown discussed the subject, "The Superintendent's Hour."

Brother Charles Edward Prior read a paper on "Music in the Sunday School."

Brother Edward B. Boynton made an address on "The C. C. C."

Brother A. C. Kenyon of New York made an address on "The Boys' Brigade."

At the opening of the afternoon session forty-one lots were sold at public auction, realizing about \$4,500. This sale provided entirely for the debt on the property held at the Beach.

Brethren G. D. Reid, F. G. McKeever, F. E. Marble and Geo. W. Nicholson spoke on the topic, "The Christ Life in the Little Ones."

The Nominating Committee reported, recommending the election of the following officers :

President—J. S. JAMES, D. D.

Vice-Presidents—The REV. J. B. LEMON, Ashford Association.

DR. J. K. BUCKLYN, Stonington Union Association.

The HON. W. S. BRONSON, Hartford Association.

DR. E. J. WALKER, New Haven Association.

J. D. HERR, D. D., New London Association.

The REV. GEO. W. NICHOLSON, Fairfield Association.

Secretary—The REV. J. G. WARD.

Treasurer—BRO. CHARLES EDWARD PRIOR.

Musical Director—BRO. CHARLES EDWARD PRIOR.

The report was adopted.

Voted, That we recommend the Baptist Sea Side Resort Association to adopt, as soon as possible, the following by-law regarding the election of their members: "There shall be nine members of this Association, to be elected, three each year, by the Connecticut Baptist Bible School Union, at their Annual Meeting. In case of the failure to elect, the Association shall fill the vacancy. All members shall serve until their successors are chosen. All must be Baptists, and a majority owners of lots at Crescent Beach."

Voted, That we now elect four men to serve with the present five members of the Association as soon as the proposed by-law is adopted, the nine to divide themselves into three classes, to serve respectively one, two and three years.

The following brethren were elected, in accordance with this vote, to be members of the Sea Side Resort Association: The Hon. W. S. Bronson, The Hon. George M. Morse, The Rev. J. R. Stubbart and Mr. Silas Chapman, Jr.

Brethren J. M. Morris and H. M. Thompson spoke on "Gleanings from the Harvest Field."

Brother Charles Edward Prior presented the Treasurer's report, showing total receipts, \$125.84; and expenses, \$74.95. The report, duly audited, was received and approved.

Voted, To express our thanks to the Kings' Daughters of the Niantic Baptist Church for their bountiful and unwearied service in preparing the collations for the benefit of our delegates.

Voted, That we invite the Sunday Schools of the State to set apart the first Sunday in each April for an annual collection for the work of the Connecticut Baptist School Union.

Voted, To express our thanks to our President for his service in preparing for the Convention.

Adjourned after prayer and benediction by the Rev. J. M. Morris.

J. G. WARD, *Secretary*.

CRESCENT BEACH, August 31, 1894.

BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTER.

ASHFORD ASSOCIATION.

<i>School.</i>	<i>Superintendent.</i>	<i>Secretary.</i>
Andover,	Miss M. H. Brown,	Vera Stearns.
Brooklyn,	W. F. Chapman,	Frank Cox.
Danielsonville,	Mrs. Geo. Guirey,	Henry Burton.
Eastford,	S. C. Simmons,	Sarah Simmons.
Mansfield,	O. W. Gurley,	Marion Storrs.
Putnam,	F. A. Hopkins,	H. H. Morris.
Stafford,	Rev. F. L. Batchelder,	Mrs. E. E. Warren.
Thompson, Central,	J. D. Converse,	Henry Converse.
“ East,	W. B. Joslin,	Clara B. Frawley.
Warrenville,	W. J. Copeland,	Mrs. John Mathewson.
Westford,	A. J. Barlow,	Mrs. Jacob Walls.
Willimantic,	Frederick Rogers,	W. N. Potter.
Willington,	Rev. C. H. Brown,	Miss Daisy Dimock.
“ South,	W. H. Brackett,	Miss Lena Korper.
Woodstock, West,	B. W. Bates,	G. H. Corbin.
“ South,	Arthur Williams,	Arthur O. Williams.

FAIRFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Bridgeport, First,	W. A. Grippin,	W. H. Platt.
“ German,	Emil Young,	Richard Busch.
“ Immanuel,	Hartley Williams,	Mrs. K. Stratton.
“ Messiah,	B. R. Chandler,	Mrs. Lina Morton.
“ Swede,	S. Swanson,	A. H. Nilson.
“ Wash. Av.,	John W. Barnes,	Miss Ava A. Jacobs.
Danbury, Second,	Jabez Amsbury,	R. C. Beal.
Easton,	John L. Tyler,	Miss M. F. Lyon.
New Canaan,	J. A. Weed,	Katie Henry.
New Milford,	S. Couch,	H. Buckingham.
Norwalk,	Rev. F. E. Robbins,	Samuel Kemp.
Rowayton,	J. H. Sherer,	S. D. Ferris.

South Norwalk,	R. A. Baldwin,	John Spendlove.
Stamford,	Rev. C. L. Rhoades,	G. J. Goulden.
" Union.	R. R. Doswell,	J. C. Green.
Stepney,	E. O. Hull,	Miss Nellie B. Purdy.
Stratfield,	Rev. H. W. Wilson,	J. B. Wilson.
Stratford.	Joseph Chase,	Ed. Williams.
White Hills.	Miss G. Tomlinson,	J. Tomlinson.

HARTFORD ASSOCIATION.

Bantam,	Mrs. E. B. Elmer,	Mrs. H. Kuntz.
Bloomfield.	E. C. Henn,	E. C. Fowler.
Bristol,	Wm. R. Strong,	W. T. Smith.
Colebrook, North,	Mrs. C. A. Remington,	Mrs. E. C. Bunnell.
" South,	H. P. Deming,	Nellie Bass.
Cornwall, East,	R. F. Thompson,	Frank Blake.
" Hollow.	Lewis Chipman,	M. E. Scoville.
Hartford, Asylum Av.,	John Genimill,	Howard H. Burdick.
" First,	E. B. Boynton,	Wm. D. Johnson.
" Memorial,	H. H. Dickinson,	Geo. R. Reed.
" Shiloh,	George Henry,	Lucy Johnson.
" South,	F. W. Payne,	F. W. Parmelee.
" Union.	J. S. Taylor,	Lulu Jones.
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" German,	A. F. Eichstaedt,	Fred Luebeck.
" Swede,	A. Sundling,	C. Larson.
New Hartford,	James E. Stanley,	W. J. Smith.
Plainville,	A. H. Condell,	Jessie M. Goodrich.
Rainbow,	Wm. L. Bidwell.	Sadie M. Merwin.
Rockville.	Levi Leonard,	James Jones.
South Windsor,	C. Z. Parmelee,	Kate M. Parmelee.
Suffield, First,	James E. Wood,	Mrs. C. J. Stiles.
" Second.	F. B. Hathaway,	Miss E. J. Sawn.
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West Hartford.	A. B. Elmer,	Miss Carrie Elmer.
Wetherfield,	Fred J. Condray,	Mrs. Mary E. Morton.
Winsted,	Fred W. Marsh,	Miss Anna E. Norton.

NEW HAVEN ASSOCIATION.

Ansonia,	B. F. Leach,	Bessie C. Howells.
" Second.	J. W. Lewis,	L. Gamble.
Branford.	H. W. Hubbard,	F. A. Hosley.

Chester,	H. Edgar Williams,	A. L. Osborne,
Clinton,	E. R. Bacon,	W. H. Kelsey, 2d.
Cromwell,	E. T. Johnson,	C. K. Ranney,
Deep River,	O. H. Glover,	Virgil D. Norton.
Essex,	Louis H. Parker,	Miss C. G. Waterhouse.
Haddam,	Smith S. Ventres,	Bezaleel Shailer.
Meriden, First,	F. T. Williams,	Louis H. Perkins.
" German,	Frank Maroni,	A. Stockburger, Jr.
" Main Street,	Irving J. Gardner,	Ernest L. Robinson.
" Olive Branch,	R. B. Perkins,	E. M. Ives.
" Park Ave.,	Geo. E. Mecorney,	Geo. E. Mecorney.
" Swedish,	D. Dahl,	J. A. Swanson.
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Milford,	A. B. R. Taylor,	Sylvester Barker.
Montwese,	Arthur S. Barnes,	Arthur S. Barnes.
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" Dixwell Av.,	C. L. King,	M. J. Hotchkiss.
" German,	J. Hoeverman,	Gustav Fritz.
" Grand Av.,	F. B. Smith,	M. J. Barnes.
" Hope,	S. O. Preston,	Edw. N. Alling.
" Howard Av.,	H. J. Harris,	Edie E. Johnson.
" Immanuel,	Edw. Randolph,	Christine A. Wilson.
" Swedish,	John Kalgren,	Edw. Carlson.
Plantsville,	F. D. Frisbie,	T. T. Wheeler.
Seymour, German,	F. Geschimsky,	L. Hoffman.
Shelton,	E. H. Barrett,	Nellie L. Morgan.
Southington,	J. C. Breaker,	V. M. Laity.
Waterbury, First,	D. L. Smith,	U. G. Dillon.
" Centennial,	W. R. Doolittle,	Clara Thomas.
" German,	Karl Weiss,	Mary Shoeck.
" Simonsville,	R. G. Snagg,	Mrs. W. F. Bonneke.
Wallingford,	C. H. Brown,	G. H. Boynton.
Winthrop,	Rev. W. T. Rice,	Edgar G. Weed.
Yalesville,	W. A. Kendrick,	W. T. McKenzie.

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Bozrah,	Lewis Ford,	Hattie Leffingwell.
Colchester,	L. C. Brown.	Fannie Clark.
Fitchville,	S. McAllister,	Jennie Phillips.
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Lebanon,	N. C. Barker,	Minnie B. Hoxie.

Lyme, East,	William A. Ames,	Mary Hill.
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Niantic,	J. W. Luce,	Nannie D. Davis.
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Salem,	A. L. Palmer,	Azenath Goodrich.
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Waterford, First,	Charles A. Peabody,	Park B. Smith.
“ Second,	L. A. Comstock,	Miss Jennie Comstock.

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Noank,	Robert Palmer,	John W. Chester.
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“ Second,	Horace F. York,	Anna L. Partelo.
“ Third,	William H. Hillard.	Thomas W. Wheeler.
Packerville,	Calvin York,	L. Kenyon.
Plainfield Union,	Frank B. Clark,	H. A. Roberts.
Poquonnoc,	Cyrus Avery,	Miss Minnie Worden.
Preston City,	J. S. Cranston,	Fannie F. Fitch.
Quiambaug,	Leander Wilcox,	Cornelian Miner.
Sterling,	S. P. Green,	Lucius Kenyon.
Stonington, First,	Erastus D. Smith,	W. J. H. Pollard.
“ Third,	Herman C. Ross,	Miss M. Hazard.
Voluntown,	Rev. E. Dewhurst,	Julia A. Fish.
“ Mission,	Mrs. L. L. Denison,	E. Lee Palmer.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION OF CONNECTICUT.

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2nd Vice-President, E. M. PRIOR, Stamford. Treasurer, C. EDW. PRIOR, Jewett City.

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REV. E. W. HUSTED, Meriden.

THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION—NORWICH.

The Third Annual Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of Connecticut was ushered in Monday evening at the Central Baptist Church by a praise service, under the direction of Col. C. W. Gale. The afternoon had been passed in introductions and social meetings. At 7:30 after the Rev. I. F. Stidham had read the Scripture and offered an invocation, President Payne made a few earnest remarks in opening, as follows:

Dear Friends of the Young People's Union:

After our various Associational meetings which take up the work of the State, it seems eminently proper that we should assemble in

this capacity to consider the state of the work; and so we have come to this Third Annual Convention to speak of the trials and successes of the past year and to plan for more satisfactory achievement during the future. Ward, the American sculptor, was once asked: "Which is your best work?" "That which I shall do next," was his reply. The State Secretary's report will present a very satisfactory showing. While we have received reports from a less number of churches, and figures from fewer societies, yet the statistics will show a decided increase in our State membership, as you will see. And so, friends, let us take courage from the past, derive strength from the present and have faith in the future.

Just a word regarding the work since we met last year at Danbury. It has been far from easy, and the results have not come up to our expectations; enough mistakes have been made to keep us humble still; in several ways we have been made acquainted with what George Eliot called "The fine power of resistance of the human mind," but, if our recollection serves correctly, this has not been a year when Presidents, as a rule, have had things according to their wish or judgment.

Once on a time the great Teacher, so we read, met a number of his disciples as they came to land after following for hours their accustoméd toil; when they reached the meeting place they found preparations already made for the feast, for "they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread." And so, putting that which the Teacher supplied with what they, by his miraculous grace, had been able to secure, and with Jesus in the midst, all were satisfied, content, and filled. May this same happy experience be ours on this occasion.

Let us call your especial attention to the educational plans of the International Union, as outlined each week in our paper, *The Baptist Union*, to emphasize the importance of this distinctive feature of our work; and then briefly speak upon the necessity of cultivating a talent which has too long been buried, and ought to be resurrected, upon what I will call Psychic electricity.

We are somewhat familiar with the manifestations of electricity in general; many things are now very common that would have seemed miraculous even a generation ago; we accept such phenomena, though we may not be able to fully understand or explain them—there is no more electricity in the world now than there was a thousand years ago. It is said that in a single acre there is enough electricity evolved by the mere growth of the grass to furnish sufficient power for the Western Union Telegraph Company. Neither Franklin nor

Edison discovered this mighty force—modern scientists have only harnessed it for service.

What is a dynamo, but some iron and other metal, coils of wire and magnets, properly adjusted, a transmitter of power? And may not each person who is in harmonious relationship with Deity be a spiritual dynamo, from which constantly flows this Psychic electricity? Not animal magnetism, for that is possessed by the worst individuals, a higher and better influence—that small portion of Divinity within us—the soul, encumbered even by the clay, can be cultivated if we desire and insist on its growth. We can, if we will, rise to supreme altitudes of power. Perhaps the measure of our growth may be determined by the gradation of the influence, often involuntary, which flows out to others. The time has gone by for argument simply in favor of influence, the question is, How?

I regret that brevity of time and more important items on program forbid further discussion on this subject; but I would rather be suggestive than exhaustive. I wished to say these few words to young Christians who may be members of organizations, but who need to be individually organized in the direction indicated.

In the days of Gideon, the victory was not for Israel's 32,000, but rather for the valiant 300 who were especially fitted—individually organized—for service. Do not despair, however, when you fall short of success in your Christian work, be not discouraged, but grow.

"No stream from its source
Flows seaward, how lonely soever its course,
But what some land is brightened. Nor star ever rose
Or set without influence somewhere. Who knows
What earth needs of earth's lowest creature! No life
Can be pure in its purpose and strong in its strife,
And all life not be purer and stronger thereby."

State Secretary E. W. Beardsley gave a report of the work for the past year:

On the whole, we have reason for encouragement. The Christian Culture Courses have accomplished much good, but there is still need for increased study of the New Testament. Our efforts have been hindered by lack of funds. Out of 137 churches in the State, 102 have reported; 12 have no society; 90 churches report a total gain of 358 members the past year.

The Treasurer, E. B. Boynton, reported the receipt of \$127.02, and an expense of \$128.67, besides expenses of this Convention.

Greetings from the Norwich Young People were given by Mr. James L. Case, who welcomed the delegates to a city that has always supported Christian doctrines, although there was a time when those who preached Baptist doctrines were confined in the New London county jail. The freedom of the city and the homes of Norwich and the welcome of the society of the Central Church were extended in a cordial manner.

Miss May E. Bentley of Guilford, in a charming manner, responded to the topic, "Selfishness in the Christian Life:"

Selfishness is found in every life, and it leads us away from Christ's purpose for our life. Selfishness is so subtle and deceptive that it requires the most earnest effort to rid ourselves of it. We are rearing a palace that shall not be perfected until life shall cease; its building stones are loyalty to Christ and his church, and so, by the crushing of self, we are rearing the most beautiful palace; its foundation is that solid rock, Christ, who came, not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and gave his life as a ransom for many.

Mr. Henry Guimond of Rockville was introduced as an editor of a paper and the man who recently nominated E. Stevens Henry in a Congressional convention. With these abilities he also adds an interest in Sunday School work. He spoke on the need of Christian young people in the Sunday School. He talked from experience, and gave suggestions of benefit to the workers in the Sunday Schools, and appealed to his young Christian hearers to be all that they ought to be in Sunday School work.

Vice-President Bowen of Putnam said that we are here receiving valuable instruction, and we ought to remember that we shall be held accountable for a wise use of this instruction.

Rev. Archibald Wheaton of Mystic spoke of "Mighty Folks."

1. We have entered a new era.

2. One of the characteristics of the time, in contrast with the past, is the substitution of leadership by organizations instead of by single individuals.

More organizations will be divinely elected to direct the world's destinies, who are gratified to best voice God's will for the establishment of the Kingdom of Christ here on earth. For this, three things may be mentioned as essential:

1. High Faith.
2. High Ideals.
3. High Culture.

As Baptists we are free to adopt the best methods. And by God's help, we will.

Miss May Field McKean of New Jersey spoke of "The Junior Work."

The time for this work is now; we need to do it for the sake of the Senior workers, that we may be a blessing to others; and also for the sake of the Juniors; there is a great difference between a saved life and a saved soul—the soul may be saved after the life has nearly all been wasted. In doing this work we need to follow God's methods; he has added his blessing to organized effort. Every one ought to see whether the Lord has called us personally to this labor, and we need to attend to it before the life has been wasted.

It was sincerely regretted that sudden illness prevented Rev. L. L. Henson from being with us.

Rev. J. S. James, D. D., of Hartford pronounced the benediction.

TUESDAY MORNING—Rev. G. W. Nicholson of Bridgeport led the early prayer meeting, giving the one thought "To Every Man His Work."

Rev. F. G. McKeever of New London read a paper on "Human Instrumentalities in Revival Work."

God uses human agency. In our prayers we need to ask for the salvation of souls for the glory of God rather than the glory of the church. One of the agencies in Revival is sacred song. Let the one

who uses this depend upon the Spirit of God rather than upon a "roaring choir." The local church is the center from which all good influence should spring."

Rev. C. L. Rhoades spoke of the "Value of a High Purpose."

A purpose is of the same value to us that a rudder is to a ship, or a spring to a watch. Daniel's purpose to not defile himself was the beginning of the growth of that noble character. Some speak of character as formed by environment; but Daniel's character was formed in spite of the environment. The most difficult thing for us in following Christ is in taking up the cross of keeping the body under, and directing our affections in the way of Jesus. We must emphasize Daniel's purpose in his heart. To teach a child to be accurate in even carefully folding a paper will teach him to be accurate in his morals. Christ's great thought was to save the lost; this should be our high purpose, and if it be we shall see great results.

Rev. Frank Dixon of Hartford spoke of "Pledges by the 'Win One' Members"

We should remember that we are to work for the individual rather than the mass. One bullet is enough to kill a man, but it is said that it requires 4,000 bullets in a battle to kill a man; this is because the firing is wild; this has been too much our method. We need some tact in this work; some feel that they are lacking in this, and therefore they can do nothing; but if you have not the latest improved rifle, "just blaze away with an old blunderbuss, and you will hit a man if you get near enough." It is not by might nor by power, but by the Spirit of God that the work must be done. We have, then, behind us the Almighty power, and failure is impossible if we are working on God's lines. Do not be discouraged because one effort does not save a man, or even if you do not save all; the magnet does not attract all materials; neither does the great magnet, Jesus Christ, have attractions for all persons. We must not approach a man as though we were going to kill him, but rather to lead him to the sweet fellowship of Jesus and the joy of Christ and the dignity of the Son of God.

This address was followed by a solemn season of consecration to the work of winning one each to Christ this year.

The following officers were elected for the coming year :

President—F. W. PAYNE of Hartford.

Vice-Presidents— { 1st, J. B. BOWEN of Putnam.
 { 2nd, E. M. PRIOR of Stamford.

Secretary—F. H. CARPENTER of Hartford.

Treasurer—C. E. PRIOR of Jewett City.

TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

CONFERENCE OF THE BAPTIST MINISTERS OF CONNECTICUT.

CENTRAL CHURCH, NORWICH, Oct. 15, 1894.

The conference was called to order at 1:30 P. M. Dr. Stone was made temporary chairman. Divine blessing was invoked by Rev. E. Dewhurst. The chair appointed a Committee on Nomination, consisting of the following: Rev. J. S. James, D. D., Rev. F. G. McKeever and Rev. E. Dewhurst. The Treasurer was instructed to turn over to the State Convention the amount in the treasury (\$1.03). The report on the nomination of officers was accepted, and the following declared elected :

President—REV. GEORGE M. STONE, D. D.

Secretary and Treasurer—REV. EBEN C. SAGE, Ph. D.

DIRECTORS:

I. F. STIDHAM, Ph. D.

J. H. MASON,

HENRY CLARKE,

J. B. LEMON,

F. E. ROBBINS,

H. M. WOLFE, JR.

To represent the Conference in the Ministers' Home—GEORGE M. STONE, C. L. RHOADES, GARRY BLOOMFIELD and J. AMSBURY.

A motion, made by Rev. P. S. Evans, was passed, instructing the Board of Directors to take into advisement the

methods employed in raising and expending money for disabled ministers and their families, and to report, with recommendations, at the next meeting of this body.

The first essay for the day was read by Rev. F. G. McKeever of New London, on "The Impatience of Job." Comments were made by Pastors Foulke, Meyer, Wheaton, Lemon, Payne, Robbins, Wolfe and Superintendent Evans. Rev. F. W. C. Meyer of New Haven then read an essay, entitled, "Our Goal, and How to Reach It." This subject, otherwise expressed as "The Kingdom of God," was discussed by Pastors Mason, James, Brown, Morris, Herr, Pinkham, Linsley, and the Hon. A. Hull.

Dr. Stidham gave an account of the temperance conflict in New Britain.

Rev. Archibald Wheaton gave notice that at the next meeting of the Conference he would offer an amendment to the Constitution, respecting time and place of meeting.

A committee chosen by the chair, and consisting of Rev. P. S. Evans, Rev. A. S. Brown and Rev. A. W. Clark, recommended the following program for next year :

Essayist, Rev. E. C. Sage; Alternate, Rev. A. W. Clark.

" Rev. J. W. Ashworth; Alternate, Rev. J. S. Lyon.

The report was accepted and adopted.

The Conference adjourned, after prayer by Rev. J. S. Lyon.

GEO. M. STONE, *President*.

EBEN C. SAGE, *Secretary*.

BAPTIST SOCIAL UNION.

HARTFORD, October 17, 1894.

The Annual Meeting of the Baptist Social Union of Connecticut was held at the Central Baptist Church, Norwich, at 5 P. M., on the above date, A. J. Sloper, President, presiding.

After prayer by Brother James L. Howard, the report of the meeting of February 22, 1894, was read and approved. The report of the Annual Meeting of 1893 was approved as printed, without reading.

A partial report of the Treasurer was made and approved. The report, as corrected to the 23rd inst., is appended hereto. Brother Howard and others congratulated the officers upon the very satisfactory condition of the treasury, a state of things which has not before existed for a number of years.

The following proposals for membership in the Union were then made, and the persons named were unanimously elected, viz :

James Eadie of Hartford, proposed by J. J. Shepard.

L. A. Gallup of Norwich, proposed by A. J. Sloper.

Henry R. Wooster of Deep River, proposed by A. J. Sloper.

Geo. W. Carroll of Norwich, proposed by James L. Howard.

Under the head of New Business, remarks were made by Messrs. Howard, Larkin, Denison and others regarding the success of our last mid-winter meeting, held in Hartford, February 22, 1894. It was therefore

Voted, That the next meeting of the Union be called for February 22, 1895, at such place and hour as the Board may deem best.

Election of officers being in order, it was voted that the Chair be requested to appoint a committee of three persons to prepare and present to the meeting a list of names to be

voted upon for officers of the Union. The President thereupon appointed the following, viz: James L. Howard, M. E. Morris and J. L. Denison.

After retiring, the committee presented the following names, and upon proper vote they were unanimously elected and declared the officers of the Union for the ensuing year, viz:

President—A. J. Sloper, New Britain.

Vice-Presidents—A. P. Carroll, Norwich; Edward Miller, Meriden.
Secretary and Treasurer—Rush P. Chapman, Hartford.

Directors—E. V. Preston, Hartford; James L. Howard, Hartford; Jabez Amsbury, Danbury; S. O. Preston, New Haven; Fred A. Betts, New Haven; James Newcomb, New London; A. J. Shipley, Waterbury; G. W. Hodge, Rainbow; M. E. Morris, Bridgeport.

Attention was called by the Chairman to the death of our brother and fellow member, A. J. Crofut of South Norwalk, which occurred November 25, 1893. On motion it was voted that W. F. Walker be requested to prepare a brief obituary notice to be incorporated into and printed with the annual report of the Secretary—the same is appended hereto. No further business having been presented, the Annual Meeting adjourned.

OBITUARY—ANDREW J. CROFUT.

Death has entered our ranks during the past year and removed our brother, Andrew J. Crofut of South Norwalk. He was one of the loyal, earnest and constant supporters of the Social Union, willing to give of his time, means and influence to promote its welfare. He was a firm believer in the utility of our organization, in its importance as a unifying factor among our Baptist laymen, and in the large field of usefulness which lay before it as a promoter of the Baptist cause in our State. He leaves a record of faithfulness and of usefulness we may well emulate, and will be remembered for his quiet but efficient service in the cause of our common Master. We here record our appreciation of his

manly and Christian qualities, and tender to his bereaved family our sincerest sympathy.

ANNUAL BANQUET.

The annual banquet was served to members and friends at the Wauregan House in the evening. When full justice had been done to the fine course dinner so admirably served by Landlord Parker of the Wauregan House, President Sloper called the assembly to order and introduced Rev. Dr. Herr, who, in behalf of his church and city, spoke a few appropriate words of welcome. He was followed by Mr. Baldwin, who spoke interestingly upon the subject, "The Church and the Laity." He was followed by Dr. Wood, who spoke on the subject of the Baptists of New England and what they had done for New England life. Both addresses were of a high order and elicited well-merited applause from the Assembly. In a few concluding words the President alluded to the marked success of the occasion and took the opportunity to speak complimentary words for Brother Carroll to whose efforts in planning and looking after details much of the success of the entertainment was due.

CASH STATEMENT, OCTOBER 23, 1894.

Balance on hand per last annual report,	\$ 33.50
Contribution from Brother Hodge,	5.00
Supper Tickets, Winter Banquet,	42.00
Annual Dues, 1894,	228.00
Supper Tickets, Norwich,	22.50
	<hr/> \$331.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

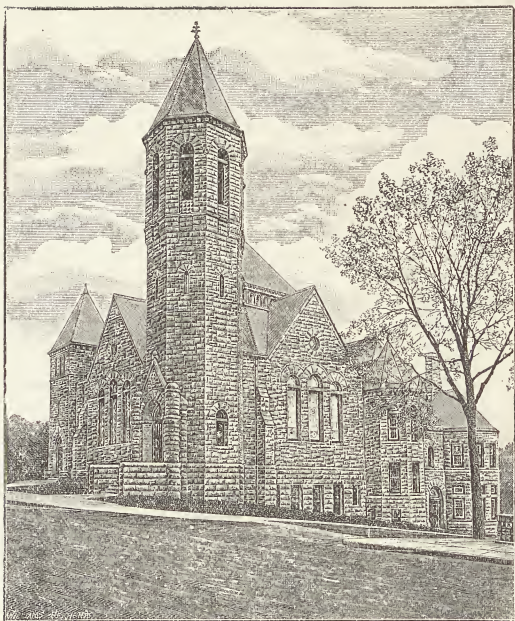
Merrill, for Suppers, Midwinter Banquet,	\$ 48.00
Printing,	30.50
Postage,	11.25
Bill of Wauregan House,	167.00
" Railroad fares, Geo. C. Baldwin, Jr.,	5.00
Balance on hand,	69.25
	<hr/> \$331.00

Artest,

R. P. CHAPMAN, *Secretary.*

LIST OF MEMBERS.

Jabez Amsbury,	Danbury.	W. A. Kelsey,	Meriden.
William J. Anderson,	Danbury.	E. Larkin,	New Haven.
J. R. Andrews,	New Britain.	C. E. Larkin,	New Haven.
W. C. Augur,	Hartford.	J. S. Leonard,	Rainbow.
J. G. Batterson,	Hartford.	Merrill Loomis,	New Haven.
A. G. Benedict,	Danbury.	M. E. Morris,	Bridgeport.
Fred A. Betts,	New Haven.	J. W. Manning,	Putnam.
F. R. Bliss,	New Haven.	W. R. Morgan,	Hartford.
Andrew R. Bradley,	New Haven.	Stephen Maslen,	Hartford.
W. C. Bolles,	Hartford.	C. G. Munyan,	Hartford.
C. H. Brown,	Wallingford.	Edward Miller,	Meriden.
L. W. Carroll,	Norwich.	Geo. W. Mitchell,	Bristol.
Geo. W. Carroll,	Norwich.	James Newcomb,	New London.
A. P. Carroll,	Norwich.	A. T. Otis,	Norwich.
A. H. Condell,	Plainville.	A. H. Parker,	Hartford.
Silas Chapman, Jr.,	Hartford.	Fred W. Payne,	Hartford.
A. H. Chapman,	Pawcatuck.	C. A. Piddock,	Hartford.
R. P. Chapman,	Hartford.	Wm. A. Potter,	Willimantic.
F. E. Corbin,	New Britain.	S. O. Preston,	New Haven.
J. L. Denison,	Hartford.	E. V. Preston,	Hartford.
James Eadie,	Hartford.	Sydney A. Resdon,	Waterbury.
W. H. Fielding,	Ansonia.	A. B. Ryan,	Middletown.
C. M. Fenner,	Putnam.	D. L. Smith,	Waterbury.
E. C. Frisbie,	Hartford.	J. J. Shepard,	Hartford.
L. A. Gallup,	Norwich.	I. Luther Spencer,	Suffield.
John Gemmill,	Hartford.	A. J. Shipley,	Waterbury.
W. A. Grippin,	Bridgeport.	A. J. Sloper,	New Britain.
W. B. Hall,	Meriden.	C. O. Spencer,	Hartford.
Lewis Hall,	Meriden.	Elliott B. Sumner,	Willimantic.
Edward Habenstein,	Hartford.	Geo. E. Stiles,	Willimantic.
A. J. Harmount,	New Haven.	C. R. Tiffany,	Wallingford.
G. W. Hodge,	Rainbow.	John T. Trott,	Waterbury.
Geo. J. Holmes,	New Britain.	W. F. Walker,	New Britain.
James L. Howard,	Hartford.	Francis Wayland,	New Haven.
Joseph B. Hoyt, Jr.,	Stamford.	F. T. Williams,	Meriden.
John Ives,	Meriden.	J. Allen Wiley,	Hartford.
H. M. Jacobs,	Hartford.	Pierce N. Welch,	New Haven.
M. M. Johnson,	Hartford.	Henry R. Wooster,	Deep River.
J. B. Kent,	Putnam.		



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STATE ANNIVERSARIES HERE OCTOBER, 1895.

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Term Expires 1895.

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Mr. A. J. Crofut, South Norwalk; Rev. G. F. Genung, Suffield;

Mr. A. J. Sloper, New Britain.

Term Expires 1896.

Rev. C. A. Piddock, Hartford; Mr. Joseph Merriam, Middletown;

Hon. Thaddeus H. Spencer, Suffield; Mr. Charles L. Spencer, Suffield;

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M. H. Smith, Ph. D., Suffield; Mr. L. P. Bissell, Suffield;

Géo. P. Chandler, Esq., Hartford; E. C. Frisbie, Esq., Hartford.

Term Expires 1897.

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H. W. Erving, Esq., Hartford; Hon. E. L. Lyford, Springfield, Mass.;

Hon. Geo. W. Hodge, Rainbow.

C H A R T E R .

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Passed May, 1820.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened*, That Asabel Morse, Caleb Moore, Joseph B. Gilbert, John Bolles, Hezekiah Huntington, Elisha Cushman, Noadiah Woodruff, David King, Jessie Savage, Pierpont Brockett, David Bolles, Isaac Dwinnell, Eli Ball, George Mitchell, David Turner, Jeremiah Brown, Ashabel Otis, Johnathan Goodwin, Jr., Orra Martin, Asa Talmadge, Chauncey Wheeler, Thomas Wheeler, Elijah Filley, and their associates, be, and they are hereby formed into, constituted and made a body politic and corporate, by the name of "*The Connecticut Baptist Education Society*," and by that name they and their successors, shall, and may have perpetual succession, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all suits of whatever nature soever, may have a common seal, and the same alter or change at pleasure. And may also have, purchase, receive, hold, and convey away estate, real, personal, or mixed, the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. The said Baptist Education Society may from time to time elect a president and such other officers and agents as they may find necessary or convenient; may elect and receive additional members; make by-laws respecting number, qualifications and duties of their officers and members; prescribe the mode of election and admission of members; the time, place and manner of holding their meetings; the number necessary to form a quorum; and all other by-laws and regulations which said society may deem necessary for the government and due regulation of its concerns to promote and secure the essential objects of said Society, as expressed in their constitution—not repugnant to the laws of this State, or of the United States."

SEC. 3. The first meeting of said Society shall be held at Hartford, on the first Wednesday of May, A. D. 1821.

SEC. 4. This act of incorporation, and every part thereof, may be altered, amended or repealed at the pleasure of the General Assembly.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be known by the name of THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to assist young men, who are called of God to preach the Gospel, in acquiring such mental discipline and culture as shall render them more useful in the kingdom of Christ.

ART. 3. The Society shall consist of such persons as pay into the treasury one dollar or more annually; also of delegates from churches and auxiliary societies, which shall be entitled to representation at the annual meeting as follows, viz: Every church and auxiliary society contributing to the funds of the Society five dollars annually shall be entitled to one delegate, and those contributing ten or more dollars, two delegates; the payment of fifteen dollars in advance shall constitute membership for life.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, to be chosen annually in any manner the Society may determine.

ART. 5. The Society shall also elect by ballot, at its annual meeting, Trustees of the Connecticut Literary Institution, as provided by the amended charter, and actively foster and advance our educational interests in this State.

ART. 6. The officers of this Society shall constitute an Executive Committee to manage the concerns of the Society during its recess, to control its funds and property; to examine and admit candidates to the benefits of the Society; and at every annual meeting of the Society they shall make a faithful report of their doings the preceding year.

ART. 7. The Secretary shall keep a record of the beneficiaries, and record the acts of the Society and of the Executive Committee, draw all orders on the Treasurer authorized by said Committee, conduct the correspondence, give notice of meetings, and prepare the annual report of the Executive Committee to the Society. The Treasurer shall have charge of the current funds of the Society, and pay them out only to the order of the Secretary; he shall also safely hold all bonds, notes, deeds, and other evidences of property belonging to the Society, giving ample security for these trusts. His accounts shall always be open to the inspection of the Executive Committee and Auditor, and he shall make a detailed report of the same quarterly to said Committee, and annually to the Society. The

Auditor shall examine annually, or oftener, the accounts and securities of the Treasurer, and certify the same.

ART. 8. The Executive committee shall annually, at its first quarterly meeting, appoint a Finance Committee of three of its own members, who shall negotiate and invest all legacies, bequests, and other permanent funds of the Society, unless otherwise provided by their donors, according to the laws of Connecticut concerning trust funds.

ART. 9. The annual meeting of the Society for the election of officers and transaction of other business shall be holden during the week and at the same place of each meeting of the Convention. Special meetings of the Society may be called by the President, at the request of five members of the Executive Committee. The business of the Society may be transacted at all regular meetings by a majority of the members present.

ART. 10. Every person admitted to the benefits of this Society must be a member of some regular Baptist Church. He must produce a letter from said church, certifying his good standing, and its commendation of him as one called of God to the ministry. He must satisfy the Executive Committee that he possesses gifts promising usefulness in the work; and he shall, furthermore, be recommended to the patronage of the Society by at least three regularly ordained ministers of the Baptist denomination.

ART. 11. No person shall be aided by this society unless he shall certify his intention to take a full course of study; preparatory, collegiate, and theological, unless, in the opinion of the Executive Committee his age and circumstances do not admit of such a course; and the institutions in which beneficiaries pursue their studies shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee; and, voluntarily failing to enter the ministry, or for sufficient cause being dropped from the list of beneficiaries, he shall refund the money, with interest, he has received from this Society.

ART. 12. The personal services of those who are appointed to manage the concerns of the Society shall be in all respects gratuitous.

ART. 13. No alteration shall be made in the foregoing Constitution, except at an annual meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, written notice of the proposed change having been given and recorded one year previous to its adoption.

N. B.—The Amendment alluded to in Art. 5 is the Amendment to the Charter of the Connecticut Literary Institution, approved July 9, 1862, which reads: "That the Board of Trustees shall consist of not less than twenty-one (21) nor more than thirty-three (33) members, to be chosen for three (3) years, one-third of the number annually, by the Connecticut Baptist Education Society."

Notice—All persons sending money to the Connecticut Baptist Education Society will please send direct to MR. EDWARD MILLER, SR., Meriden.

All communications for the Board, or application for assistance, should be addressed to the Secretary, REV. I. F. STIDHAM, New Britain.

The regular meetings of the Executive Committee are on the last Tuesdays of December, March, June and September, at 10:30 A. M., at the office of the Hon. JAMES L. HOWARD, Hartford, Conn.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING
OF THE
CONNECTICUT BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

NORWICH, Conn., Oct. 17, 1894.

Hon. James L. Howard, President of the Society, called the meeting to order at 10 A. M.

Rev. C. L. Rhoades of Stamford offered prayer.

President Howard spoke of the importance of helping young men prepare for the ministry; the young men do all they can, their friends help as far as they are able, but there is need of still further assistance in many cases. Business men are looking out for the work of the future, and are carefully training the young men who shall carry on their business; they follow them closely until the training is complete; and shall we do less for these young men who are to have the spiritual interests of the churches in their charge?

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. I. F. Stidham:

In a State so venerable as this, in which Centennary and double Centennary celebrations challenge attention well nigh every year, to number only seventy-five years demands that any youthful gaiety should be duly repressed, by remembering that in the venerable presence of these elderly relatives we have little claim to consideration, save only as we present an attractive appearance. And yet it

has taken some little time and some little effort to complete these seventy-five years, during which the Centennary of the Nation has occurred and the Mexican War and the War of the Rebellion become faint memories. In consideration of the very limited time permitted us to present to the Society so excellent a program, this report must be somewhat brief.

This Society, in its organization and its life, is an indication of a Bible-loving and Spiritual Church, an indication ever present in Baptist history, save in limited spaces and places, of a desire to possess and dispense generous facilities for the fullest knowledge of revealed truth. Even in periods when the Church of Christ had been chilled to the heart by a cold intellectualism; or its vision of its Lord dimmed by the dust-clouds of a hypercritical rationalism; or its practical force made inert by a dreamy transcendentalism, the Baptist Denomination has appreciated the value of Education, and endeavored to secure its advantages. To this feeling is to be attributed the planting of our denominational institutions of learning, and the organization of our Education Societies.

The first minute of the original records of this Society reads: At a meeting holden in Hartford on the 14th of May, 1818, "for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of associating for the Education of indigent young men who are called of God to the ministry," David Bolles, Esq., was called to the chair. Mr. Elisha Cushman was appointed clerk. The proposition to organize was favorably considered and a Constitution adopted, Messrs. Augustus Bolles, Elisha Cushman, Ashabel Morse and Pierpont Brockett appointed a committee to circulate the Constitution to obtain subscribers. At a subsequent meeting June 17th, 1818, held in Hartford, the following officers were elected, who were the first officers of the Society:

President—Ashabel Morse.

Vice-Presidents—Jonathan Goodwin, Asa Wilcox.

Elisha Cushman—Secretary.

Joseph B. Gilbert—Treasurer.

The Trustees were William Bentley, David Wright, Orra Martin, Pierpont Brockett, Augustus Bolles, Buckley Waters, David Bolles, Hezekiah Huntington, David Turner, George Mitchell.

At the May meeting, May 5, 1819, it was resolved that Hon. David Bolles, Hezekiah Huntington and Dea. Joseph B. Gilbert be a committee to consult what ought to be done respecting the money appropriated by the Legislature of this State to the Baptist Denomination,

and to take such measures as they may think proper respecting the same. On April 19th, 1820, it was Resolved, that a memorial be presented to the Legislature of this State at their next session, praying them "to incorporate this Society as a body corporate and politic." Messrs. A. Morse, E. Cushman and H. Huntington were appointed the committee to prepare the "memorial and bill," which they did in a few days.

At this meeting a resolution was adopted, instructing a committee to present a memorial to the Legislature, praying them "to grant to the Society such a part of the money granted to the Baptist Denomination in their last 'Act for the Support of Literature and Religion,' as may be rejected by the several Baptist Societies to which said money may be apportioned by the Baptist Trustees." Our brethren of that day were hardly as radical as we are now. The history shows that sundry Baptist Churches indignantly repudiated the doctrine of State help, but a few, it seems, regarded their Sunday Schools as facilities for intellectual improvement, and imitated other denominations, and took the money. Quite a sum of money was, in consequence, not disposed of, which the Education Society thought it could wisely use if it could get it. They therefore appointed a grave and influential Committee to visit the proper authorities, and secure from them a transfer of all money assigned to the Baptist Denomination but which had been rejected by the Churches entitled to receive it. The Committee reported progress at a later date, and were continued, and finally became *functus officio*, owing to the death, one by one, of its constituent members, so that the Committee has not reported to this day. It evidently did not secure the money, and we rejoice in the failure of their misdirected effort.

Turning page after page of poor paper and fading ink, we find but one story, often repeated as the years went on, "of the needs of the Society," of committee after committee sent out to secure funds, of the unvarying condition of impecuniosity, the heritage left us by the fathers. This is not an unmixed evil, for the need of an educated ministry, the necessity for constant appeal to the hearts of the people kept the subject before them. Statements constantly given kept the theme alive. It was Education and our Educated ministry, with tireless iteration; Education, we must have it—an Educated ministry, we must have it—to secure it you must do it; the Education of the people by the people—the Education of the ministry by the Church—the fact and its necessity was put and kept where high spiritual wisdom indicates to be the best place. So that, as we should expect, their official utterances were not appeals to sectarian ambition, or denominational pride, but a just and tender claim

upon the heart. The history of the Education Society has been the summary of the condition reached, but it has been more, it has been an intelligent and persistent force in directing and determining the denominational history in Connecticut.

In the minutes of the year 1828, the Rev. Barnas Sears was made Secretary, a man first among his equals, who was afterward widely influential in Educational matters in our denomination, and known through the land for the wisdom of his official acts as agent of the Peabody fund in the south.

THE CONNECTICUT LITERARY INSTITUTION AT SUFFIELD.

For several years there was a continued effort "to establish a High School in the State." The effort seems to have awakened little interest until 1830, when G. F. Davis, J. Cookson, and S. S. Mallery were appointed a Committee "to receive proposals for the location of a High School in the State." It reported progress and was discharged, and B. M. Hill, G. Mitchell, A. Day, J. Cookson and G. Robins were appointed. In 1831 this Committee reported in general terms and were discharged, and G. F. Davis, J. Cookson and S. S. Mallery were appointed for the purpose heretofore mentioned.

In 1832 the Committee reported, and the Society resolved "to appoint a committee of one minister and three laymen in each county, to provide without delay the means for the establishment of a Literary Institution on the manual labor system in this State, under the control of the Baptist Denomination, and as soon as practicable determine its location and appoint its Trustees."

The Committee consisted of the following persons:

Hartford—G. F. Davis, Geo. Mitchell, Edward Bolles and John Case.

New Haven—E. Cushman, William Yale, J. E. Hotchkiss and Lyman Miller.

Fairfield—J. K. Linsley, John Sherwood, W. Sherwood and Henry Little.

Middlesex—John Cookson, Geo. Reed, Nathan Gladwin and J. H. Hayden.

Windham—Alvah Gregory, Daniel Packer, Philip Pearl and E. Mather.

New London—A. Gates, Gudon Robinson, N. Bishop and Saxon Miner.

Litchfield—Rufus Babcock, H. Buel, Daniel Lake and A. Bunnel. Tolland—S. S. Mallery, Hiram Rider, Elephalet Young and J. Leonard.

"*Resolved*, That the first meeting of this Committee be held in the Baptist Conference room, in Hartford, on the last Thursday in June, at 11 o'clock A. M."

This Committee reported to the Society in 1833 that they had secured the sum of \$10,000, "and the location fixed in the town of Suffield."

At a special meeting held in Lebanon June 12th, 1833, the following minute is found; "The Committee on the Institution further reported that they had performed the remaining part of their duty by having appointed the following Trustees, viz: G. F. Davis, G. Phippen, Albert Day, H. Stanwood, G. Mitchell, Martin Shelden, E. Cushman, D. Packer, S. S. Mallery, G. Reed, S. H. Lindsley, G. Robinson and Rufus Babcock." The report was accepted and the Trustees authorized "to carry into immediate operation the Institution located in Suffield, provided they do not exceed in their expenditure the sum of ten thousand dollars."

At a meeting in Suffield in 1834, on motion of Wm. Bentley, the Board of Trustees were instructed to petition the Legislature of this State at their session in May next for an Act of Incorporation for the Institution. At a meeting in Middletown in 1835 the Trustees reported that a charter for the Institution had been secured, whereupon it was "resolved, that the Treasurer of this Society transfer all properties in the hands of the Society and now employed in connection with the Literary Institution to the Treasurer of the Institution, for the purposes contemplated by the Act of Incorporation."

Thus was established the Connecticut Literary Institution "for the purpose of affording additional advantages to worthy young men called of God to the ministry." The spirit of these early days is most marked, and they paused not until they had laid the foundation of a school, where our youth might have the advantage of the best mental training under influences which should coincidentally culture their spiritual life. The Institution 'was founded in this idea, its every brick was laid by the devotion which sought the elevation of the denomination by the true education of its rising ministry. No one can fail to mark this one fact of our denominational history, that we have valued education, and, culturing education, have reached the place where an uneducated ministry is no longer possible.

We of the present generation rejoice in the history of our school in

Suffield, that it has been true to the spirit of its founders, and that to-day there is no school of its grade in our land, that in proportion to its facilities furnishes truer intellectual training amid more beautiful natural surroundings, or more healthful spiritual influences. This notable fact of the earliest years of our Society history is worthy of attention as the establishment of a new factor in our denominational history in the State.

With the securing of the Charter and the election of Trustees, the official relation of the Education Society to the Institution ceased, except that by the Charter of the Institution the Education Society elects the Trustees of the Institution annually.

The unofficial, but actual, relation of the two is in the beneficiaries of the Society, who, to the number of nearly 200, have had there, wholly or in part their preparatory education. As a matter of congratulation, the following list of students aided is appended:

Thomas Pilgrim, Jabez S. Swan, John Martin, T. O. Judd, Eli Ball, W. T. Boynton, John Jennings, Hiram Gear, Henry Wooster, L. G. Leonard, Josiah S. Parker, Origen Crane, J. W. Parkis, Cephas Pasco, E. A. Stillman, Thomas Benedict, G. L. Russell, Richard Griffing, Johnson Howard, J. C. Carpenter, H. Bromley, Isaac Lawton, John Higlb, J. R. Boise, Hugh Dempsey, Urbane Cole, E. Ely, J. L. Clough, S. W. Palmer, John McWhinnie, N. W. Miner, G. W. Pendleton, E. N. Jencks, S. D. Phelps, A. P. Buell, G. W. Gorham, Isaac Niles, Jr., William Stow, Ralph H. Bolles, G. D. Crocker, H. M. Barlow, Calvin H. Topliff, Gower, S. M. Whiting, G. B. Atwell, R. H. Main, N. Wildman, E. P. Bond, David F. Lumsden, Chauncey, Leonard, Edwin Morley, Jerome Norton, Joseph C. Wightman, Julius E. Johnson, Isaac H. Gilbert, Caleb Miller, Joel A. Gridley, N. J. Norton, H. S. Stevens, Oliver W. Gates, S. G. Smith, G. P. Watrous, E. T. Richards, E. T. Perkins, Julius Bond, W. N. Wilbur, Lewis Sweet, Isaac E. Gates, H. G. Ilurlbut, D. J. Glazier, William B. Smith, Daniel E. Holmes, Theron Brown, George F. Pay, George N. Green, H. G. Gay, Frank E. Miller, Andrew J. Morse, Charles C. Farnham, Alfred F. Hamner, C. H. Spaulding, S. H. Pratt, C. A. Johnson, W. R. Harmount, Wilfred Dean, David Bishop, Evan Lewis, Lyman F. Johnson, G. B. Potter, C. Montjeau, Rheinart Otto, J. Lemley, Jr., J. H. Arthur, A. R. Otto, E. Edgar Maryott, C. A. Maryott, E. B. Andrews, John B. Sammis, Lewis Munger, William C. Rabe, C. Ohlyart, Welcome E. Bates, O. P. Bestor, John S. Marland, John McKinney, A. Judson Arnold, Edwin P. Farnham, D. H. Taylor, H. G. Smyth, F. B. Dickerson, S. T. Farnham, E. G. Wooster, N. Leavenworth, George E. Braxton, George H. Fenton, Andrew Sterne, Joseph H. Taylor, H. M. Thompson, J. Curtis Lamb, C. A. Nichols, A. J. Cortney, George G. Epps, John G. Ward, Thomas S. Barbour, Lester L. Potter, O. G. Buddington, W. P. Chipman, John Maeder, John W. Scott, Isaac W. Montague, Peter Stanford, W. G. Fennell, George W. Rigler, Willard A. Hill, C. S. Savage, J. A. Brown, J. A. Bailey, W. W. West, R. M. Strickler, A. E. Scoville, L. B. Curtiss, A. L. Candee, E. J. Bosworth, Chellis E. Nichols, B. S. Herr, E.

P. Tuller, Fred Matzeck, J. O. Bergh, Walter Gray, E. M. Gallup, W. V. Gray, A. F. Keyes, H. E. Smith, O. P. Pertuson, M. Larson, H. M. Ives, M. Mesropian, E. W. Potter, L. B. Curtis, H. E. Chapman, E. J. Cooper, N. B. Prindle, A. L. Heatherington, Joseph Walther, E. W. Pease, F. E. Robbins, G. W. Hodges, Jacob Pfeiffer, F. Walters, H. A. Kemp, Joseph Walther, W. H. Johnson, A. E. Kingsley, F. D. Elmer, W. C. MacMaul, Jessie F. Smith, E. H. Bronson, F. C. G. Bronson, George L. Hibbard, F. W. Blakeslee, W. T. Clark, William Dunworth, N. C. Smith, C. L. Owens, M. J. Twomey, C. W. Hilstren, M. A. Bolton, B. A. Baldwin.

Along these years there is annual mention of the presence of Rev. E. Thresher, Corresponding Secretary of the Northern Baptist Education Society. Dr. Thresher moved to Dayton, O., where his great ability and energy and consecration to his Master gave strength and impetus to local and general interests. The Dayton Church, Denison University and the Ohio State Convention were increased in effectiveness by his wisdom and piety. He was successful in gathering riches, and our denomination in Ohio and the cause of Christ everywhere blessed the wise and generous use he made of his wealth.

The marked interest this Society had in its earliest days in "Newton" is shown by a resolution with reference to this famous seminary. It seems that Newton Seminary was doing or saying something it ought not, or not doing or saying which it ought, for we cannot allow that our grave and reverend progenitors were wrong. These brethren assembled and resolved, "That Newton Theological Seminary had thrown a shadow on their spirits, and they doubt whether young men receiving the literary information calculated to render them more efficient as ministers of the gospel had those spiritual conditions about them which were best adapted to keep them spiritual while pursuing their studies."

These were fathers to be proud of, and the present condition of "Newton" may partly, at least, be owing to the fact that these brethren came to the front ere rash men, under the red flag of free thought, should undo the old Seminary from its moorings and send it, a derelict, up and down the seas, useless as a freighter of men and good thought, and dangerous to honest vessels.

The proceedings of all the years are much the same, the annual election of officers, the reports, the efforts to raise money—to give one year is to give substantially, the record of all—and so for the sake of brevity we leap all the years which give us the names of men honored for their efficiency and loved for their devotion; men who have made and who are now making history, who have impressed and are now impressing themselves upon our denomination. Thomas Pilgrim, Jabez S. Swan, J. L. Clough, Theron Brown, C. H. Spaulding, J. B.

Boise, E. B. Andrews, D. D. Phelps and others, many others, some with us here to-day—are not the names of all written in the extended report!

Passing all this, your attention is now asked to the detail of the work done by your Trustees for the year just closed. Your Executive Committee have kept informed as to the mental ability and the spiritual condition of the young men aided in Preparatory School, College and Seminary, and we do them the merest justice in saying that we believe them to be an unusually good class of men, capable, industrious and spiritual, who have the confidence of their respective churches. No man has been placed on your list who has not been placed there at the earnest desire of his pastor and his Church, and the standing of all of them to-day justifies the confidence we have placed in them. Seventeen men have been aided during the year. The following are the churches who hold their membership:

East Washington Avenue, Bridgeport,	2
Bantam,	1
First, Suffield,	1
First, Norwich,	2
Second, Meriden,	1
First, Waterbury,	2
Memorial, Hartford,	1
First, Meriden,	1
Central, Norwich,	2
First, New London,	1
German, New Haven,	1
Calvary, New Haven,	1
Grand Avenue, New Haven,	1

Their place in preparation is as follows:

Four in Seminaries.

Four in College.

Nine in Preparatory Schools.

It seemed perilous in the face of the financial depression in which our State has suffered so keenly to take a larger burden than ever before upon ourselves, but as though God meant to make markedly prominent this seventy-fifth year of our history the men came to us, and feeling that you would be honored more by our confidence in your willingness to meet the demands thus made on you by the head of the Church, we did not feel justified in refusing a helping hand to your children. For they are yours, and we feel that no fault can be found with us, when a slight deficiency is reported because we incurred the

debt in seeking to educate your children. Our obligations for the year beginning October 1st, 1894, will be:

Nine Preparatory students at \$100,	\$900 00
Six College and Seminary students at \$125, . .	750 00
Printing minutes,	30 00
Incidentals, say,	10 00
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Total necessary,	\$1,690 00

And this allows no leeway to the Executive Committee, in whose hands are at this time two new applications for aid, and from my knowledge of the character of the committee I beg leave to say that if God calls young men to his ministry in our churches I believe that they will be accepted, so that if you desire a change in policy, and the pressure removed, this is your opportunity, which can only be done by changing the personnel of your staff. The whole number of students aided to date is about 200, nearly all of whom entered the ministry of the denomination and remained affiliated with it. Only three and possibly four have been deflected from the straight path by the greater seeming greenness of other fields, and the greater stillness of other waters. Whatever may have been the history in other States, it is to be marked in this State that our brethren who grew against the denomination limits and fretted at being hampered by Baptist doctrine and Baptist practice have wrecked their efficiency and sacrificed their happiness in severing the bonds which bound them to us. The other place that seemed so enchanting they have found delusive, and almost without exception what may have been gained failed to balance what had been lost.

Let us note that the number of men who have entered the ministry from Connecticut is much larger than the number that this society has aided. A number has been aided by private benefactions, others have had facilities which the ordinary student could lay no claim to, and this suggests attention to the fact that this year, as in all other years, comparatively large sums of money have been and are now privately contributed to help worthy men. We have no means by which we are able to count the number of men or the sums of money thus contributed by Baptist Churches and Baptist individuals.

This report, brethren, is your 75 milestone. We felicitate ourselves on the work done, on the work now doing, and as we carve upon this memorial stone: Ebenezer, hitherto hath the Lord helped us, we go on, we trust in greater deeds, into fuller life, cheered and sustained

by an unfaltering trust that He, the Great Head of the Church, who has honored us so signally in the past by this gives promise of his presence in our future.

We are glad for the past—we will by God's help make the future richer, grander far than the past.

Respectfully Submitted for the Executive Committee,

I. F. STIDHAM, *Secretary*.

The report was laid on the table for future action.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Nomination of Officers and Trustees—Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., Rev. J. H. Mason, Hon. Geo. W. Hodge.

On Nomination of Trustees for the Connecticut Literary Institution—A. J. Sloper, Rev. C. A. Piddock, Rev. J. W. Ashworth.

On Enrollment—J. L. Denison, Rev. E. W. Husted, Henry Clarke, Rev. W. H. Lyon, Rev. H. W. Pinkham.

The President then introduced the Rev. N. E. Wood, D.D., Pastor of First Baptist Church of Boston. The full publication of his masterly address was generally desired, and it would have been given here, but circumstances have rendered such publication impossible. With no attempt to give an analysis of the address, the Secretary makes apology to Dr. Wood for inserting here a few sentences :

With unusual interest there was related the history of the pioneer Baptist Church in this country; how they established themselves upon the soil of old Massachusetts Bay colony, and held the ground despite the persecution that assailed them on the part of the Puritans; how they were shut up in prison and, like the Apostles of old, prayed and sang in their confinement; how they worshiped in Charlestown when they were not allowed to hold their services in Boston, and how, when their meeting house was locked up, they met upon the lawn in front, incidentally remarking that the most distinguishing characteristic of Baptists is obstinacy.

"Our forefathers," he continued, "soon saw the need of an educated ministry up and down their part of the country, and they looked for a place where their young men should be educated. They wanted a school with distinctively Baptist principles, and at length they found the site and founded Brown University.

"A Baptist school, we know, must be a Christian school. Our forefathers believed that education was auxiliary to Christian work. The question is, will this project, educational, philanthropic or literary, help on the kingdom of Christ? Every such project has my heart and hand, and for every such work I have time.

"The foundation of Colgate University reads almost like a chapter from the Acts of the Apostles. A few men in the wilderness of the Shenandoah Valley met and prayed for a Christian school from which missionaries should go forth, and as a result the college was founded."

In the same vein he traced the founding of Columbian University at Washington and of Shurtleff College.

"Our fathers," he added, "did not found schools for merely secular, but for distinctive principles, and this aim has characterized every school founded by them. Our fathers had stalwart and clear conceptions of education. Secular things were to be taught in a Christian atmosphere and not where Christian principles are sneered at.

"Not only the president, but every member of the faculty should be a Christian. Without being specific, there are schools not far away in which there are teachers who are making skeptics of their pupils, and we are stupidly blind when we allow skeptics to sit in the president's or in professors' chairs. We ought to rise in force and declare that we will not allow it."

Reverting to his emphatic belief that the colleges should not be secularized, he continued:

"In our labors we have been persistent and consistent. We contribute to secular schools, but those which our fathers founded and which we have nurtured, others have tried to secularize. We have been threatened that our northern schools should be wholly secularized. Such personal liberty has been emblazoned upon the walls of our colleges that the students have forgotten the cardinal principle—the Christian faith."

In conclusion, the preacher denominated regeneration as the foundation of religious liberty and the primitive principle of the Baptist church.

"We have stood for it through persecution and opposition. We have a glorious heritage. In the last decade we have had the greatest of opportunities. The world is ours if we will rise in His strength."

At the close of the address the Society passed a hearty and unanimous vote of approval.

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. Edward Miller, Sr., was then read:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

EDWARD MILLER, *Treasurer*,*In Account with* CONNECTICUT BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

1893.

DEBTOR:

	Balance on hand,	\$ 132 72
Oct. 19,	Annual Memberships,	53 00
	Collection at Convention,	12 02
	Life Membership—Frank E. Corbin,	15 00
	Contributions—W. R. Morgan,	10 00
	“ Geo. W. Hodge,	10 00
	“ Elihu Larkin,	5 00
	“ W. C. Bowles,	5 00
	“ G. H. Hungate,	1 00
	“ Rev. J. H. Mason,	10 00
Nov. 9,	“ Rev. Edwin M. Poteat,	10 00
Nov. 13,	South Colebrook Church,	1 50
	North “ “	1 50
Nov. 16,	Contribution—A. J. Shipley,	25 00
Nov. 17,	“ Edw. Miller,	50 00
Nov. 18,	Second Danbury Church,	21 00
Nov. 29,	Contribution—Frank E. Corbin,	50 00
	Calvary, New Haven, Church,	54 69
Dec. 6,	Contribution—J. L. Denison,	4 00
Dec. 28,	“ John C. Breaker,	5 00
1894.		
Jan. 2,	Coupon—W. C. Bank,	30 00
Jan. 6,	Grand Ave., New Haven, Church,	10 00
Jan. 10,	Loan—Edward Miller,	60 00
Jan. 12,	“ “ “	125 00
Jan. 17,	“ “ “	50 00
Jan. 20,	Contribution—James L. Howard,	50 00
Jan. 22,	Repayment—G. W. Hodges,	100 00
	First Wallingford Church,	13 63
	Memorial, Hartford, Church,	12 00

Jan. 26,	Howard Ave., New Haven, Church, . . .	16 00
Feb. 3,	Contribution—Rev. J. D. Herr, D. D., . . .	10 00
	“ Rev. Archibald Wheaton, . . .	5 00
	“ Rev. Geo. M. Stone, . . .	10 00
Mar. 22,	Main St., Meriden, Church, . . .	11 50
Mar. 29,	First, Shelton, . . .	3 00
Mar. 29,	Loan—Edward Miller, . . .	425 00
Apr. 5,	Yalesville Church, . . .	3 00
Apr. 17,	Putnam Church, . . .	22 68
May 12,	South, Hartford, Church, . . .	30 00
June 7,	Union, Mystic, Church, . . .	94 00
June 13,	“ “ “ . . .	25 00
June 23,	Spring Hill Church, . . .	2 50
July 6,	First, Hartford, Church, . . .	110 00
July 16,	Central, Norwich, Church, . . .	75 00
	“ “ Bible School, . . .	25 00
July 21,	“ Thompson, Church, . . .	7 25
July 25,	North Lyme Church, . . .	10 00
Aug. 17,	Contribution—Rev. C. H. Spaulding, . . .	10 00
Aug. 28,	First, New London, Church, . . .	28 82
Sept. 4,	“ Waterbury, “ . . .	25 78
Sept. 6,	Andover Church, . . .	2 00
	Winsted “ . . .	1 27
Sept. 7,	South, Hartford, Church, . . .	15 00
Sept. 12,	Cornwall Hollow “ . . .	1 00
Sept. 18,	Groton Heights “ . . .	6 00
Sept. 19,	South Norwalk “ . . .	30 25
	Second, Suffield, “ . . .	26 74
Sept. 24,	Plainville “ . . .	5 00
	North Colebrook “ . . .	1 00
Oct. 3,	Contribution—S. D. Phelps, . . .	5 00
	South, Hartford, Church, . . .	10 00
Oct. 6,	Bloomfield “ . . .	1 00
Oct. 10,	First, Meriden “ . . .	125 00
	“ Stamford “ . . .	19 35
	Contribution—Rev. F. E. Robbins, . . .	5 00
Oct. 11,	“ F. E. Corbin, . . .	50 00
	First, New Britain, Church, . . .	29 71
	South Hartford “ . . .	25 00
	Brooklyn “ . . .	3 00
Oct. 12,	First, Willimantic, “ . . .	25 00
Oct. 15,	Coupon—Western Caro. Bank, . . .	30 00

Oct. 15,	Asylum Ave., Hartford, Church,	54 00
	Rockville "	2 25
	Contribution—Rev. I. F. Stidham,	10 00
Oct. 16,	Asylum Ave., Hartford, Church,	20 00
Oct. 18,	Ansonia "	5 00
	First, New Haven, "	50 00
	Plantsville "	3 75

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1893.

CREDITOR:

Oct. 19,	Services at Convention, Rev. Simmons, . . \$	3 00
Nov. 17,	Bills Payable, \$290 00; Int., \$10 29; . . .	300 29
1894.		
Jan. 10,	Appropriation—Joseph Walther,	31 25
	F. D. Elmer,	31 25
	J. F. Smith,	31 25
	F. C. G. Bronson,	31 25
	Wm. Dunworth,	25 00
	N. C. Smith,	25 00
	A. L. Wyman,	25 00
	M. A. Bolton,	25 00
	J. Pfeiffer,	31 25
	Printing, Postage, etc., I. F. Stidham, . .	13 00
	" Bill, Hoggson & Robinson, . . .	3 50
Jan. 12,	Postage and Expenses, Edward Miller, . .	2 00
	W. F. Clark,	31 25
	F. W. Blakeslee,	25 00
	C. L. Owens,	25 00
	E. H. Bronson,	31 25
	C. W. Hillstren,	25 00
	M. J. Twomey,	25 00
Jan. 20,	Bills Payable, Edward Miller,	50 00
Jan. 22,	Appropriation—B. A. Baldwin,	31 25
Feb. 3,	Bills Payable and Int., Edward Miller, . .	125 24
Mar. 29,	Appropriation—J. Walther,	31 25
	F. D. Elmer,	31 25
	J. F. Smith,	31 25
	F. C. G. Bronson,	31 25
	F. W. Blakeslee,	25 00
	W. F. Clark,	31 25
	Wm. Dunworth,	25 00

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Mar. 29,	Appropriation—N. C. Smith,	25 00	
	E. H. Bronson,	31 25	
	A. L. Wyman,	25 00	
	C. L. Owens,	25 00	
	M. J. Twomey,	25 00	
	C. W. Hillstren,	25 00	
	M. A. Bolton,	25 00	
	J. Pfeiffer,	31 25	
	B. A. Baldwin,	31 25	
Oct. 9,	Joseph Walther,	62 50	
	F. D. Elmer,	62 50	
	J. F. Smith,	62 50	
	F. W. Blakeslee,	50 00	
	Wm. F. Clark,	62 50	
	Wm. Dunworth,	50 00	
	N. C. Smith,	50 00	
	E. W. Bronson,	62 50	
	A. L. Wyman,	50 00	
	C. L. Owens,	50 00	
	M. J. Twomey,	50 00	
	C. W. Hillstren,	50 00	
	Jacob Pfeiffer,	62 50	
Oct. 15,	Bills Payable and Interest,	62 75	
	Postage and Expenses,	3 00	
	Balance on Hand,	250 13	
			\$2,437 91

SUMMARY.

DEBTOR:

Balance on Hand,	\$ 132 72	
Collection at Convention,	12 02	
Annual Memberships,	53 00	
Life Membership,	15 00	
Contributions,	340 00	
Interest on Investment,	60 00	
Repayment,	100 00	
Bills Payable,	660 00	
Contributions of Churches,	1,065 17	
		\$2,437 91

CREDITOR:

Services at Convention,	\$ 3 00
Bills Payable,	538 28
Printing, Postage, etc.,	21 50
Appropriations to Students,	1,625 00
Balance on Hand,	250 13
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Bills Payable, \$425 00

Interest on Same to Date, 14 03

Present Indebtedness, \$439 03

Respectfully Submitted,

EDWARD MILLER, *Treasurer*.

HARTFORD, Oct. 16, 1894.

Examined and found correct.

THOMAS SISSON, *Auditor*.

The Treasurer's Report was ordered printed in the minutes.

The Report of the Executive Committee was then taken from the table, and after remarks on the needs of the Society for the coming year, the report was adopted und ordered printed in the minutes.

The Committee on Officers and Trustees reported the following list of Officers for the ensuing year :

President—Hon. James L. Howard, Hartford.

Vice-Presidents—G. W. Swan, Norwich ; A. J. Shipley, Waterbury.

Secretary—L. F. Stidham, New Britain.

Treasurer—Mr. Edward Miller, Sr., Meriden.

Auditor—Mr. Thomas Sisson, Hartford.

Trustees—Revs. Dr. G. M. Stone, Dr. E. C. Sage, H. M. Thompson, F. G. McKeever, Mr. J. W. Lamb.

All of which were elected.

The Committee on Trustees of the Connecticut Literary Institution reported the following persons to be Trustees for three years, viz. :

Rev. J. H. Mason, New Haven ; Rev. Dr. G. M. Stone, Hartford ; Hon. C. L. Lyford, Springfield, Mass. ; Dr. M. T. Newton, Suffield ; Mr.

W. A. Kelsey, Meriden; Mr. Silas Chapman, Hartford; Hon. George W. Hodge, Rainbow; Mr. F. C. Rockwell, Hartford; Rev. W. H. P. Funace, New York; Edward Miller, Sr., Meriden; H. W. Erving, Hartford.

The gentlemen nominated were then elected by ballot.

The resolutions of Mr. J. L. Denison, which were presented at the last annual meeting and referred to the Executive Committee, were reported to the Society without recommendation.

On motion action on the resolutions was postponed until the next meeting.

Principal W. Scott made a cheering statement of the number of students and of the prospects of the school at Suffield.

The resolution of Rev. J. B. Lemon, offered at the last meeting, and lying over, under rule, was called up. The resolution was:

"That the word Indigent be dropped from the Constitution of the Society and from the blank report sent to students, wherever it occurs."

The resolution was adopted.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was voted to adjourn to 2:25 p. m. to complete the business of the Society.

The Society was called to order at 2:25 p. m., when Mr. Denison reported for the Committee on Enrollment.

Cash collection,	\$71 05
Life member,	15 00
Annual member,	1 00

The report was accepted.

The Society then adjourned after prayer by Dr. J. D. Herr.

JAMES L. HOWARD, *President*.

Attest, I. F. STIDHAM, *Secretary*.

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 Howard, James L.
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 Prowitt, J. T.
 Prior, George
 Ray, Rev. C. W.
 Reid, Mrs. William
 Reynolds, G. L.

Richardson, Rev. J. W.
Robins, Rev. Henry E.
Robbins, William H.
Robinson, Silas
Robinson, S. A.
Robinson, Elizabeth
Rogers, Calvin B.
Sage, Rev. A. Judson
Saunders, H. H.
Setchell, Charles F.
Sexton, George
Shelley, Russell T.
Sherwood, Mrs. T.
Shipley, Deacon A.
Sibley, I. S.
Silliman, Deacon Ezra
Sisson, Thomas
Slate, Daniel L.
Slate, Rev. F. A.
Sloper, A. J.
Smith, Deacon C. G.
Smith, M. H.

Spencer, Carnot O.
Spencer, Deacon J.
Starkweather, Mrs. H. E.
Southworth, Levi B.
Stevens, W. B.
Stevens, Dr. B. H.
Steward, Mrs. Matilda
Stidham, Rev. I. F.
Stone, Rev. G. M.
Stockbridge, Rev. J.
Strickland, James L.
Stubbert, Mrs. Emma S.
Sullivan, W. H.
Taylor, Rev. J. A.
Terrell, Edward
Thompson, A. M.
Thompson, D. W.
Tuller, G. W.
Turner, Peter C.
Turner, Mrs. Peter C.
Twiss Waldo
Vain, Samuel A.
Walker, W. F.

Walker, Rev. O. T.
Wallace, James A.
Ward, N.
Wayland, Hon. F.
Weller, Samuel
West, L. M.
West, Rev. W. Ward
Wheaton, Rev. D. D.
White, Abijah
White, Mrs. Abigail
White, J. W.
Whitford, H. G.
Wilbur, R. P.
Wightman, J. E.
Wightman, Rev. P. G.
Wilcox, E. H.
Willard, Charles E.
Williams, Hon. D. J.
Williams, James A.
Winot, George R.
Wilson, Rev. Cable
Wilson, Rev. C. B.

APPLICATION FOR AID.

When a young man applies for aid he is required to present a letter from his church in substance as follows:

THIS CERTIFIES that Mr. _____ is a regular member of the _____ Baptist Church in this town; that he sustains a good moral and religious character; that in the judgment of this church he is called by the Lord to the Christian ministry; and that he possesses talents which, with a good education, would render him useful in this sacred work. He is therefore, being indigent, recommended to the Connecticut Baptist Education Society for their patronage.

Signed by order and in behalf of the
Church in _____

Clerk.

Baptist

Pastor.

This certificate must be endorsed by three regularly ordained ministers of the Baptist Denomination, in addition to the signatures of the Clerk and Pastor of the church of which the applicant is a member.



ERRATA.

Pa. 49, 8th line from top, for credentials
read individuals.

Pa. 88, 8th line from top, for gratified
read qualified.



